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Dangers that Lurk in Government Price Fixing and Market Manipulation

RBITRARY fixing of prices by trusts or any combination of interests or by the Government is, in the long run, sure to work injustice to consumers or producers and react in a manner detrimental to the welfare of the community. Any interference with the operation of the natural law of supply and demand involves innumerable possibilities of evil consequences. Such interference on the part of private interests is prohibited by the anti-trust and other laws of similar intent, and the Government should refrain from fixing the price or monopolizing the market for any commodity except for the purpose of meeting an emergency occasioned by war or other pressing necessity of a public nature. There is room for doubt whether under any conditions government price fixing is expedient, but certain it is that, if resorted to, such action should be safeguarded with the utmost care and caution for the avoidance of unfair discrimination and burdensome results such as have risen from some of the war-time price fixing by our Government.

Of all the great food exporting countries of the world the United States and Canada profited most by the war needs of Europe because most accessible. Australia and Argentina, our chief rivals in food production, previous to the World War had supplied Europe with a large part of its grain and meats, but their remoteness and the scarcity of ships debarred their products from access to the European market during the war, so that they actually burned surplus wheat that they could neither ship nor store. Thus forced by stress of circumstances every country in Europe, except Germany and her Allies which were cut off by the blockade, was bidding frantically for American food products up to the time the United States entered the war. The supply was limited and inadequate, and as a natural consequence of this competitive bidding prices continually rose until our Government, soon after entering the war, fixed the prices and monopolized the market for the more important food commodities.

Government Controlled the Market and Price of Wheat

S the food shortage presented one of the most difficult and vital problems of the war it became necessary and therefore proper for our Government, on entering the conflict, to take control, as it did, of the food resources of the country. But even the necessities of war did not absolve the Government from its constitutional obligation to make just compensation to the owners for property and rights so taken. Let us consider what effect the Government's action in regard to wheat has had on the rights and interests of the farmers. Did the farmers get a square deal?

By means of a license system regulating the milling of wheat and the sale of wheat and flour and by placing an embargo on the exportation of wheat and flour, except under special permit, the Government acquired absolute control of the wheat market and practical control of the market for other grains. By so doing competitive bidding for foreign shipment was abolished and our Government became the largest purchaser, buying enormous quantities, not only on its own account for our army and navy, but also as purchasing agent for England, France, Italy and the other allied countries. So they all got their American wheat and flour through our Government at the same price.

Where It Rubs the Farmers

HE purpose and effect of this policy was to steady the wheat market; but the steadying influence was exerted in the direction of preventing wheat prices from soaring to levels deemed undesirably high by those in authority at Washington. One of the avowed purposes of the Government's regulation of the wheat market and prices was to prevent speculating and

profiteering, but, as we shall see, our Government did a bit of profiteering in wheat on its own account. No doubt the price of wheat would have ranged much higher the past two years—some authorities estimate as high as three, three and a half or possibly four dollars a bushel the last year of the war—but for the Government's action in eliminating competitive bidding for export.

Government's Guaranteed Price to the Farmers

THAT the price of wheat would have ranged higher in a free competitive market we find corroborative evidence in the reported transactions of the U.S. Grain Corporation, created, owned, financed and managed by the Government as the instrumentality through which the price of American grown wheat is kept up to the Government's guaranty. The Grain Corporation buys wheat whenever offered for sale in this country at the price guaranteed to the farmers by the Government, but never at higher prices. It appears that the Grain Corporation has made a profit (which goes to the Government) of twenty-six million dollars. Of this sum four and a half million dollars came out of millers' profits and practically all the rest, some twentyone and a half million dollars, was made on sales to neutral countries, as all sales to our Allies during the war were at cost. Which appears to indicate clearly that, had our wheat market been open to foreign buyers, these neutrals would have been there bidding up the market. It shows that wheat was worth more for export than our Government was paying for that purchased for its own account and for our Allies. Of course this policy helped to keep down the cost of the war to this Government and to our Allies, and kept down the price of flour to our own people; but whatever the saving—and it must have been many millions—was at the expense of the farmers.

The war virtually ended with the armistice over a year ago, and the war emergency, which alone justified the wheat embargo, ceased months ago. So evident was this that last summer, when the early crop reports indicated a billion-and-aquarter bushel wheat crop in this country, Mr. Barnes, the Wheat Director, called President Wilson's attention to the facts and recommended that the wheat embargo be lifted immediately so to restore a free export market for our wheat. But President Wilson decided that, because of the agitation over high cost of living, it would be unwise to lift the embargo at that time for fear it might possibly result in higher cost of flour. And so the embargo was continued to keep down the cost of flour for the industrial laborers regardless of the interests of the farmers.

Scarcity of Sugar Under Government Control of Market

HE Sugar Equalization Board was established by the Government in July 1918 as an adjunct of the Food Administration for the purpose of insuring to the American people a regular supply of sugar at a reasonable price, during the unsettled conditions caused by war. It was empowered to fix the price and regulate the distribution of sugar, and to buy and sell sugar, under the President's direction, in furtherance of this purpose. The Board established living prices for Louisiana cane sugar and western beet sugar and bought up in advance the entire sugar output of Cuba for the year 1919 which began to reach our market about a year ago. The price paid for the Cuban raw sugar was about five and a half cents a pound, which enabled the Board to fix the wholesale price of granulated in the eastern markets at nine cents with a fair margin of profit to American refiners.

The result of this prudent action by the Sugar Equalization board was, as our readers will remember, that there was an abundance of sugar at a reasonable price the past year until about canning time last summer when a sudden scarcity developed which has grown more acute to the present time, relieved to some extent in the late fall in the beet-sugar sections. There is a world shortage of sugar, but the wants of American consumers would have been very well met had not the Board miscalculated our domestic needs and sold a third of the Cuban sugar crop to England and others of the Allies early in the year. However, in fairness to the Sugar Board it should be stated that the consumption of sugar in the United States has been unusually large the past year.

Sugar Will Be Higher in 1920 and Scarce at That

AST July representatives of the Cuban sugar producers, with the approval of the Cuban government, offered to sell their entire 1920 output to our Sugar Equalization Board at six and a half cents a pound. On August 14 the Sugar Board applied to President Wilson for authority to take action on this offer, at the same time informing him that "there is today a world sugar shortage and that probable that the world sugar shortage for 1920 will be more acute than for the year 1919." The Sugar Board advised that negotiations for the purchase of the Cuban sugar be begun at once. As the Sugar Board could not act in the matter without orders from the President, the Board on September 20 urged Mr. Wilson to render his decision on the subject. But if President Wilson ever decided what to do about it he was too late, for on September 22 the Cuban Sugar Commissioners withdrew their offer, and thus was lost the golden opportunity for the United States to secure at a low price an abundant supply of sugar for 1920. Since then the Cuban producers have been selling their new crop of raw sugar at from eight and a half to twelve cents a pound. These prices are for raw sugar in Cuba, and to them must be added the cost of transportation, refining and distribution including wholesalers' and retailers' profits, which means that probably we' may have to pay fifty to seventy-five per cent. more for sugar in 1920 than in 1910, and a scarce article at that. The result is hardly in line with the announced policy of reducing the high cost of living. Congressman Tinkham, of Massachusetts, estimates that the Government's failure to purchase the Cuban sugar crop will cost American consumers three hundred and sixty to five hundred and forty million dollars.

Fixing Milk Prices by Law

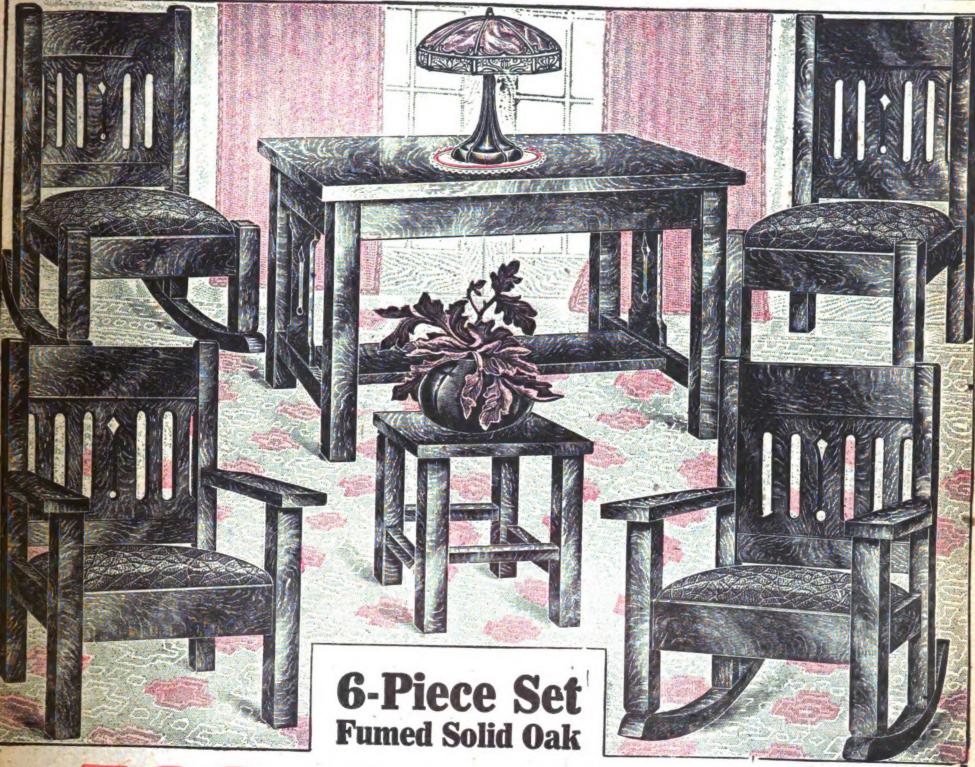
HOSE city numskulls who imagined they had turned a smart trick by fixing the price of milk at a figure that allowed little or no profit to producers have learned to their sorrow that it is a proposition on which the dairyman have the last word. The answer of not a few has taken the form of quietly going out of the milk business and turning their attention to some other line of farming that paid better under the circumstances, while the consumers are reaping the consequences of their selfishness and stupidity in the form of a milk shortage. There are many clamoring for laws to arbitrarily reduce prices who have yet to learn the futility of attempting to regulate prices regardless of cost of production. Milk is cheap compared with other foods at prevailing prices and it is unfortunate that the dairy business is not sufficiently profitable to induce the farmers to increase their herds to keep pace with the growth of population. In 1918 the number of cows in this country remained stationary. Europe is bidding for our dairy products and an increasing portion of them is going abroad where their food and health value is better appreciated. For health and economy we should use more milk:

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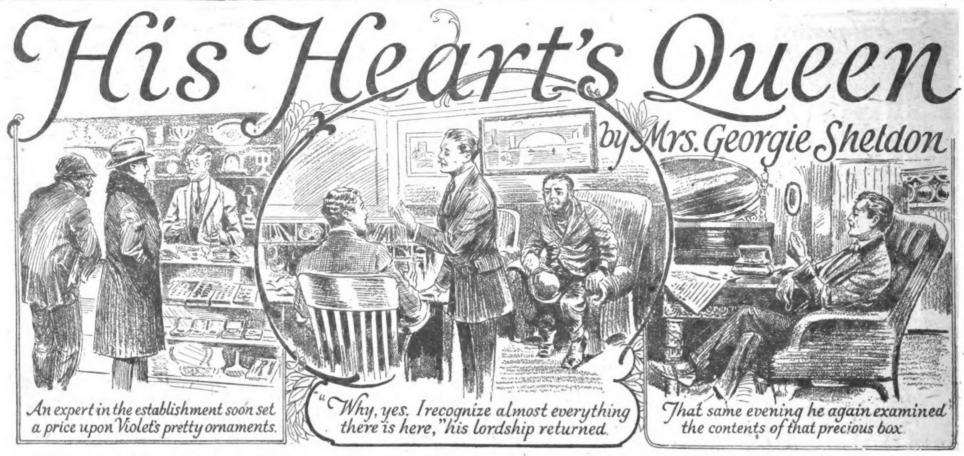
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SYNOPSIS OF PRECEDING CHAPTERS.

CHAPTER XXIV.

MR. MENCKE OVERREACHES HIMSELF.

ILHELM Mencke appeared to be considerably elated over the disperies which he had made that afternoon, when Violet, so unconscious of the clouds that were beginning to lower in her sky, had attended the matinee with Mr. Lawrence and Bertha, and after reaching his miserable room, which was cold and bare and dirty, he lighted a fire and then a lamp, after which he lifted a loose board in the floor and drew forth what seemed to be a square package wrapped in thick brown paper.

Taking it to a table, he removed the wrapper, and revealed a small box about eight inches square. Opening this, he turned its contents upon the paper, and let all the pretty trinkets which Violet used to wear lie in a shining heap before him, and he began to spread them out one by one, a sinister smile on his coarse face. ILHELM Mencke appeared to be

There were several rings and brooches, two or three pairs of bracelets and ear pendants, her watch and chain md some pretty charms; taking them all together, it was quite a valuable collection for a young girl to have.

"I'm very glad I never sold 'em." he muttered, as, after a time, he began to gather them up and return them to the box; "there is nobody living that would give as much as he will for them, and I shall make him fork over handsomely for them. I could never have realized one tenth of their value if I'd pawned them."

He put them carefully away, and then, after taking a long pull from a larse black bottle, he crawled into, his miserable bed and was soon soundly sleeping.

A few days later, after making himself as respectable as possible—which is not saying very much in his favor—and armed with the box containing Violet's jewelry, he wended his way once more to the office of Harlow & Richardson. Upon arriving at their rooms and inquiring for Mr. Richardson, he was told that he had just stepped out, but would be in again in a few minutes; if he wished to wait he could take a seat in the private office.

Mr. Mencke's finances were 'in such a critical state that he was willing to wait a good while, rather than miss the bargain which, he meant to drive with Wallace.

He went into the inner office, and threw himself into one of the luxurious chairs.

Presently he heard the outer door open and close, then a few words were spoken in A low tone evidently by one of the clerks to the person who had entered, and the next moment Wallace came into the presence of the man whom he had last seen in Mentone, when he had been told of the supposed terrible fate of Violet, his young wife.

He started visibly, and every atom of color forsook his face as he recognized him.

He had not yet mastered his grief sufficiently to be able to meet any one associated with that wretched time, unmoved; but he quickly recovered himself, and was again his usual calm and courterous self.

"Mr. Mencke." he said, bowing politely, but he c

prise.
"Yes; perhaps, though, you had better close the door," glancing toward the outer office, "as what I have to say, you might not like to have others hear."

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Wallace quietly closed the door without making any reply, then he sat down by his desk and leaned his head upon his hand.

He was still quite pale, for the presence of this man revived many painful memories, while, from his request that the door might be shut, he imagined that he might have something to say to him about Violet.

"I have come here today upon a little matter of business as well as of sentiment," Mr. Mencke resumed, "and I may as well tell you frankly, to begin with, that I have been very unfortunate during the last year. I have lost a great deal of money in one way and another—am in fact deucedly hard up just now—and—I—ah!—ahem!—want to raise a little money to start myself again in a small way."

Wallace's eyes expressed the astonishment he could not conceal, for he knew that two years ago Wilhelm Mencke was supposed to be very wealthy while it was said that he held in trust thirty thousand dollars, or more, of Violet's money.

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of course, believing Violet to be dead, he had supposed her property would revert, by natural inheritance, to her sister, Mrs. Mencke, and that her husband still had control of it.

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wallace reached out and took the box from him, and his hand shook like a leaf as he did so. He was terribly moved and could with difficulty retain his composure, for as he looked upon those pretty mementoes of happier days, a thousand tender memories came thronging upon him, threatening to completely unnerve him.

How well he remembered some of those jewels—others he had never seen.

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How well, too, he remembered that emerald ring, for it had contrasted so prettily with her beautiful white hand, and with the solitaire diamond which had been its companion. There was also an amethyst, set with pearls and diamonds, which she had sometimes worn; and, more precious, in his sight, than all, her wedding ring, which he himself had placed upon her finger, that never-to-be-forgotten day when they had gone so quietly to the venerable clergyman in—Street, and plighted their vows to each other. Hot tears rushed unbidden to his eyes as he looked upon it, for he remembered how Violet's lips had quivered as she told him that she should not dare to wear it until he could claim her sa his wife; but she should keep it sacredly locked in her jewel-casket until the happy day should come when she could openly avow the sound that united them.

Yes, and there lay the pretty bracelets, too, were larger than the sum I had also were upon that occasion.

Yes, and there lay the pretty bracelets, too, which she had also worn upon that occasion, and the pin from which she had detached the pansy which she had given him as a keepsake that morning when she bade him farewell in his

felt sure this miserable sot before him would only squander upon his deprayed appetite.

Never! Every article was precious and sacred to him.

He could not bear that any one should even handle them with careless touch, or look upon them with indifferent eye.

Wilhelm Mencke had been cunning enough to realize that Wallace would feel thus, and that he would never allow any one else to become their purchaser, and now as he observed the young man's deep emotion, he told himself with an inward chuckle, that he might name almost any price be chose for them, and he would not fail to get it.

With a sigh that was almost a groan, Wallace at last recovered the glittering, but voiceful things, and still holding them in his hand, demanded, in a husky voice:

"How much do you want for this box and its contents, Mr. Mencke?"

"Exactly two thousand dollars will buy that box of jewelry, Mr. Richardsou," the man answered, with a cunning gleam in his eyes.

Wallace flushed.

He saw that he had intended to take advantage of him from the first.

He knew that these articles of jewelry—at least some of them—were valuable, and he was willing to pay a fair sum for them, but this was absolute and shameless extortion.

"Mr. Mencke," he said, gravely, "you very well know that this jewelry does not begin to be worth something. It would be worth considerable—at least I should suppose it would be to you—not to have your wife's jewelry pawned to fall into the hands of Tom, Dick, and Harry, or," he added, trying to be facetious, "Susan, Maria, and Jane, as the case might be."

Wallace was disgusted with his coarseness, though he winced visibly at the covert threat that they would be pawned if he did not buy them. But for the important matter under discussion, he would have had hard work, not to seize him by the collar and forcibly eject him from the room.

He strove to conceal his aversion, however, and responded:

"What you say is true—these things are sacred to me, and I would never consent to such a disposition of them. I am willing to pay

gan to grow firm and resolute, as they always did when he had difficulties to face and overcome.

"I will make you a proposition," he said, at last, meeting his companion's look with a stern purpose in his eye. "I will go with you to some reliable first-class jeweler, and he shall set a price upon every article in this box—I do not mean its actual value, but what it could be purchased for today—then I will pay you the sum he names and fifty dollars more for association's sake."

"No, sir! You don't get a single piece of it unless you come to my terms," retorted Wilhelm Mencke, angrily. "Two thousand dollars or—nothing. I would pawn it piece by piece for one third—yes, one fourth its value rather than let you have it a dollar less than the sum I have demanded."

"Why so? Why are you so determined to take such an unfair advantage of me?" Wallace demanded.

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"That is none of your business!" rudely replied the man, with an oath.
"Yes, it is my business, and you know it,"
Wallace replied, in a calm but firm tone. "Violet was my wife, and whatever may be connected with her, or her memory, is most assuredly my business. Now tell me why you are so unreasonable in your demands upon me."

"Well, then, because I have an old grudge against you—an old score to settle with you."
Mr. Mencke answered, with sullen defiance. "You outwitted us and married Violet in spite of us, and now I am going to get even with you and make you sweat for it if I can."

Wallace's lip curled with disdain.
Such a mean spirit of revenge was contemptible. "Then I am to understand that you absolutely refuse to sell me the contents of this box upon (continued on page 26.)

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DEAR MRS. WILKINSON:

Thoticed in my last Comfort two letters that spoke of starting a Home Fund for Uncle Charlie and now I am wondering if you would print in some number in the near future the amount that each state had subscribed up to a certain time. It would attract more attention and there would be the fun of each one trying to put her own state over the top and not allowing other states to outdo them.

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Mas. A. J. N.

Mrs. A. J. N.—All contributions to Uncle Charlie's Home Fund have been carefully recorded—in fact the account has been kept under his personal supervision—and although the amount of each contribution appears, the addresses of the contributors in many instances have not been noted, so that it would be difficult, if not impossible, now to give separately the respective amounts that have come from the several States. The following is Uncle Charlie's report of the totals:

several States. The following is Uncle Charlie's report of the totals:

"The following are the facts about the Home Fund. From Aug. 11, 1916, and up to date, Nov. 26, 1919 (three years and three and a half months), \$2,958.79 have been contributed by 5,272 people. The last boost which resulted from the letters in the Sisters' Corner, in the September issue, brought in \$125.58, and this amount was contributed by 283 people, and is included in the amount mentioned above. The fund falls far short of the amount requisite to buy any sort of a comfortable home in Brooklyn where he lives."

DATTON, 134 Garfield St., OHIO.

Dane Mas. Wilkinson:

Uncle Charlie's Home Fund has come to life again and after reading the letters from Verne Ellis and J. Fred Macdonald I am so ashamed of myself and my thoughtless sisters that I will try immediately to atone for my neglect for that is what it is. I have been a reader of dear old Comfour for lo, these many years and have always admired Uncle Charlie so much. When I think of all the young men he has inspired to do their part in this dreadful war I feel that I am a slacker. Now sisters, don't let the grass grow moder your feet until you have done your share toward providing a home for one of God's good men.

I am seventy years old and my husband is eighty-fre and has been totally blind for thirty-four years, but he keeps a little cigar and news-stand and is there every day at six o'clock in the morning. We are both well and are thankful to our dear Lord for all His Messings.

Messings.

Now sisters, take this matter home and act accordingly: do it now.

Enclosed please find five dollars for dear Uncle

MES. MINA PARLETTE. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 23.)

Comfort Sisters' Recipes

N old gentleman of my acquaintance told me recently that, so far as he could see, the prune was the only article of food that had been improved upon in cooking since he was a boy, many years ago. While I didn't fully agree with him, my mind went back to the four or five stewed prunes, with watery prune juice, of former boarding house fame and I compared them with the various delectable ways they are prepared at the present time, a few of which are given below, and felt that he was right in that particular respect.—Ed.

PRUNES WITH RICE AND WHIPPED CREAM.—Cook rice twenty minutes, drain and put in top of double boiler with one cup of milk. Let cook half an hour. To serve, put in shallow dish with cooked prunes over top. Pour prune juice over rice. Sprinkle with chopped nuts and serve with whipped cream.

PRUNE PIE.—Steam the prunes until tender and then put through potato ricer. To one cup of prune pulp, add two well-beaten eggs, butter the size of a walnut, one half teaspoon each of ginger, cinnamon



PRUNE PIE

and nutmeg, and one half cup of sugar. More if necessary. Mix well and add two cups of milk heated nearly to the boiling point. Fill crust and bake in fairly hot oven.

PRUNE TAPIOGA.—Soak one half cup of tapioca in one and one half cups of cold water. Put one pound of cooked prunes into double boiler, add tapioca and cook one and one half hours. Serve with cream and

BARLEY FLOUR PIE CRUST.—One cup of barley flour, less than one quarter of a cup of shortening, and one third of a teaspoon of salt. With a knife cut the shortening into the flour, but do not make it pasty. Work in with the knife about three tablespoons of cold water. Use as little water as possible. Dust board with flour, and without kneading roll out the crust and line plate.

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PRUNE PUDDING.—Melt three tablespoons of butter, add one half cup molasses, one half cup milk and one and two thirds cups of flour, mixed and sifted with one half teaspoon of soda and one quarter teaspoon each sait, cloves, cinnamon and nutmeg. To this add one pound of prunes that have been soaked and cut into small pieces. Turn into a buttered mould and let steam two hours. Serve with sauce made by creaming one half cup of butter and adding gradually three quarters cup of brown sugar. Flavor with one teaspoon of vanilla.

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Vanilla.

Baked Prune Pudding.—This is an excellent way to use up stale bread. Dry it in the oven until crisp. Roll and to every cup of bread-crumbs add one cup of cooked prunes, stoned and cut into small pieces, one quarter cup of sugar, one half teaspoon salt, one quarter teaspoon connation, one tablespoon melted butter and two cups of milk. Mix well and bake. Serve with sauce given in recipe above.—Worcester Reader, Mass.

RHUBARB AND PRUNE SAUCE.—Wash one cup of prunes and let soak in hot water two hours, taking care not to let them come to a boil. Remove prunes and take out pits, then put prunes back in julce and add two cups of rhubarb, cut into small pieces, one cup of sugar and cook in double boiler until rhubarb is tender. A few raisins added improve the flavor.

PRINE JELLY.—Soak half a box of gelatine in one half cup of cold water until soft. Soak one pound of prunes in cold water over night and cook until tender. Drain, remove stones and cut into small pieces. There should be one pint of prune liquor, or add enough water to make it that quantity. Add one cup of sugar, one tablespoon lemon juice, the soaked gelatine; stir well and pour into mould. Serve with whipped cream.

STEWED PRUNES.—Wash and pick over prunes. Put in saucepan, cover with cold water and soak five hours. Cook until soft in same water. When nearly cooked add sugar or molasses to sweeten.

PRINE FILLING FOR CARE.—Put one cup of sugar and one third cup of boiling water into saucepan and boil until syrup will thread. Do not stir. Have white of egg beaten to stift froth and pour syrup onto egg, beating until of the right consistency to spread. Flavor with one teaspoon of lemon juice. Before spreading on cake, add one cup of cooked prunes, cut into small pieces.

PRUNE PIE.—Wash one half pound of prunes and soak two hours in cold water. Cook in same water until soft. Remove stones, cut prunes in quarters and mix with one half cup sugar and two teaspoons lemon juice. Line pie plate with paste, cover with prunes, moisten with one tablespoon prune juice, add a few seeded raisins, dot with small pleces of butter and dredge with flour. Cover with upper crust and bake in a moderate oven.

SOUR CREAM CAKE.—One cup of sour cream, two eggs, one half teaspoon soda dissolved in sour cream, one cup sugar, two teaspoons baking powder, sifted with flour, one cup cooked, chopped prunes and one teaspoon of lemon extract. Bake half an hour in loaf or in layers.

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PRUNE ROLL.—Beat whites of two eggs to a stiff froth, add yolks and beat. To this add one cup of sugar and stir all together with one cup of flour and one half cup boiling water and beat again. Now add one quarter teaspoon salf and one teaspoon baking powder. Flavor and beat well. Bake in quick oven, spread with mixture made of cooking prunes and raisins together to consistency of jelly and roll in a damp cloth.

—MRS. C. HOPPE, Pomeroy, Wash.

PUFFED RICE AND PRUNES.—Heat your rice in the oven until it becomes a delicate brown. In the center



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of the platter pile up prunes that have been filled with whipped cream, surrounding them with the cream. The puffed rice should be used as the outer circle and is very much improved by the addition of the prunes and cream.—MARY HARROD NORTHEND, Salem, Mass.

CASE WITH PRUNE FILLING.—One cup corn syrup, one tablespoon lard or any shortening, one cup of boiling water with one level teaspoon soda dissolved in it, one half teaspoon cinnamon and salt, one cup barley flour, two cups white flour with two teaspoons baking powder sifted with it. Mix and beat thoroughly. Do not have oven too hot as it burns easily. All white flour may be used.

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FILLING.—One cup of cooked and chopped prunes, one half cup corn syrup, one tablespoon flour, pinch of salt, and one half cup cold water. Mix thoroughly and cook in double boiler until thick enough to spread. Cool cake and filling before spreading.—Mrs. LIZZIE LAWLEY, West Frankfort, Ill.

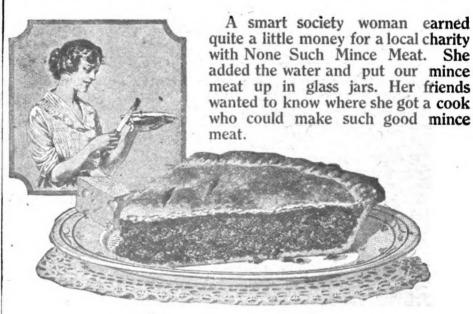


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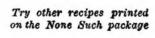
Soak biscuits in warm water until soft and add the other ingredients in the order given. Beat egg-yolks thoroughly before adding. Mix ingred-ients completely, put in a well-oiled baking-dish and bake thirty minutes in a moderate oven. Make a meringue of the egg-whites, heap pudding and allow to brown in the oven.

None Such Sandwiches—Cut slices very thin. Make a filling of None Such Mince Meat, to which may be added onions, celery, pimentos. None Such Salad-None Such Mince Meat

oranges, grapes, celery and marshmallows. Chill and serve on lettuce leaf.

None Such Relish-Mix None Such Mince Meat with green or red peppers and onions.

Tomato Stuffed with None Such-Scoop out tomato. Mix None Such Mince Meat, celery, d serve, after chilling, on plate garnished with parsley.





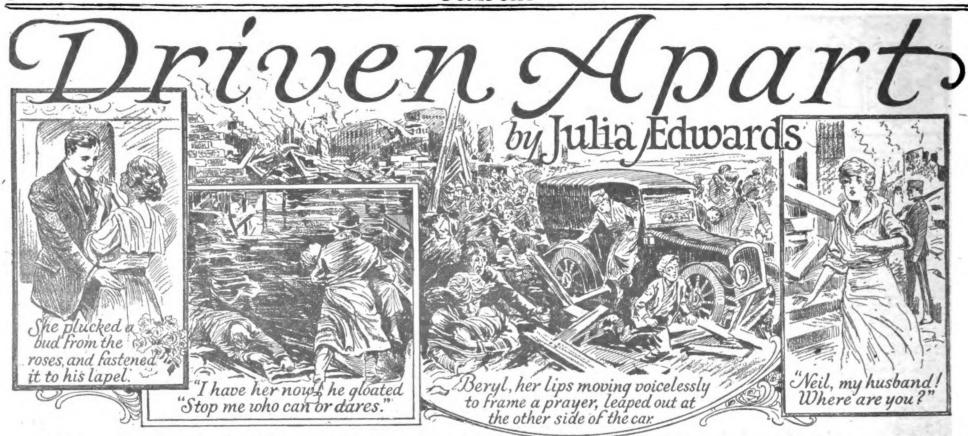


None Such Pudding



None Such Salad





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Nicholas Berdyne, past middle age, his face marred by dissipation, schemes with Hartley Tremwyck to win Beryl Grayson, whose father is dead. She is engaged to Neil Preston, who goes to Alaska in the interest of a mine owned by Grayson and which falls into Berdyne's hands. Neil Preston is reported 'cad by Dave Gorsline, who is hired by Berdyne to tell Beryl. In her sorrow and loss of wealth, she refuses continued aid from Berdyne. Mr. Jackman from Denver, wanting to repay a debt owed to Beryl's father, invites Beryl to his ranch, where she forms a friendship for Tonita, a beautiful Mexican girl, who advises her not to marry Berdyne through any mistaken idea of gratitude. Irma Lee, discarded by Berdyne, warns Beryl that he serves his own selfish purpose and that Neil Preston lives and is on his way to Jackman's Ranch. Berdyne, persistent that Beryl shall become his wife, Neil Preston, overhearing her denunciation of his baseness and treachery and refusing to marry him, confronts Berdyne who swears he will follow his trail. The day Beryl Grayson becomes Berdyne's wife, Morley Preston, opposed to Neil's marriage, will tender Tremwyck a check for fire thousand dollars and Berdyne will give a like sum. He admits Beryl's trust in Jackson and that the letter written offering her, the home was inspired by him, that he holds a heavy mortgage on the Jackman ranch, and with this knowledge they plot to separate the lovers who plan to be married the following day. Jackman, a tool in Berdyne's and Tremwyck's hands, drugs the wine which he gives Beryl when he drinks with her to her happiness, and she, feeling dizzy and faint, goes to her room and the door is locked. Neil Preston, returning for Beryl, meets Tonita. Approaching Jackman's house, an automobile is in waiting and a man with Beryl in his arms appears from the house and lifts her into the car. Preston strikes him down, and taking the auto, with Tonita, they make their escape through the night for San Francisco. Tremwyck advises Berdyne

CHAPTER X. (CONTINUED.)

E ceased abruptly, apparently thinking that he was going too far with his confidences. Trenwyck's eyes opened a little wider in the semi-darkness, and a half smile curied about his crafty lips. However, he did not press Berdyne for further information.

"Then Preston will take the girl north?"

"If I know him," said Berdyne, "he will not stop short of San Francisco. And he will not let any grass grow under his feet in seeking a minister. By Jove!" he exclaimed, under spell of a sudden thought, "I can send a telegraph message to all the towns between here and Frisco, telling the authorities to be on the lookout for a stolen automobile called the Red Flyer, and to arrest the man in charge of it. That's the idea, Trenwyck! I can foil Preston in the very midst of his triumph! Let us get back to San Jose as quickly as possible, and send the messages."

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"Why not?"
"If you have Preston arrested for the theft of your automobile, your dealings here will be aired, and not only you, but Jackman and I, will be caught in the net of the law. The move would prove a boomerang."

The logic of this appealed strongly to Berdyne. He had wealth, and wealth could do many things, but it could not save him from the consequences of his illegal attempts against the person of beautiful Beryl Grayson. It was a matter that had best not be aired in a court of law. "Then what would you advise, Trenwyck?" Berdyne queried.

"There is a train out of San Jose that will get us into the Townsend Street station, in Frisco, at four in the morning. Let us catch that train. It may be," he added, grimly, "that we shall reach the city in time to greet Preston on his arrival. If you had some one there whom you could trust, some one who is not overscrupulous, you understand, that person could be set on the watch; then, in case Preston should reach his destination ahead of us, we might have some clue to work on."

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"Yes. When I departed from the city, to come here, I left him there. I had learned that Preston had returned from Alaska on the Argonaut, and when I hastened south, to be beforehand with my plans at Sunset Ranch, I gave instructions to my man Hargreaves to have Gorsline watch Preston and keep me informed of his movements."

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"Then why did not Gorsline let you know that Preston was coming here?"
"He did; but I did not receive the telegram until after my visit to the ranch, this morning. It was put into my hands when I returned to San Jose, to wait for the Red Flyer and put it in readiness for the work I had in mind."
"Then let us make a quick return to San Jose," said the lawyer. "Before we take the train, you can send a telegram to Gorsline."
Thus the plotters agreed between themselves, and Jackman furnished a buggy, two draft horses, and a driver to convey the two men to San Jose.

In due course, the wealthy villain and his guileful henchman were set down at the San Jose railroad station, with still an hour or more before their train should leave. Berdyne's telegram to his hired ally in San Francisco merely stated that "the man from Alaska" had made

off with the Red Flyer, ostensibly bound for the city, requested that Gorsline do what he could to locate him, and meet the four-o'clock train in the Townsend Street station to report.

The train was late, from some cause, and Berdyne consulted his gold watch time and again. It was a quarter to five when the train lagged into the railroad station that fateful but beautiful morning, and the two scheming rogues descended to the platform.

At the great iron gate through which the arriving passengers passed, a burly, vicious-looking man was waiting. As Berdyne and Trenwyck came through the gate the waiting rascal caught sight of them and stepped-apart. The other two followed him.

"Well, Gorsline?" were Berdyne's first impatient words.

"The cove ye're lookin' for is in town, all right," said Gorsline, with a cunning leer; and a fierce joy shot through Berdyne's breast. "Leastways," the fellow added, "I've found the automobile, and, if Preston stole it, he can't be a great ways off."

"Luck is with us!" muttered Trenwyck.

"It wasn't luck altogether," grunted Gorsline. "When Hargreaves told me to watch Preston, I picked him up at a hotel on Market Street, near the Ferry Buildin', an' he went callin' two or three times at a house in Pine Street. First thing I done, when I got that telegram last night, was to go to the hotel. Our man wasn't there; then I nosed around the house in Pine Street. Didn't expect to have much luck, 'cause lookin' for a needle in a haystack—'specially when it's night, an' you're in a hurry; but the last time I went to that Pine Street house, about half an hour ago, there was the Red Flyer in front. I knowed this train was late, havin' found out about it over the telephone. As it was, I had to move lively to get here."

"Mo lives in the house, Gorsline?" queried Berdyne. "Do you know?"

"A reverend gent by the name o' Bickerdyke."

"A minister!" exclaimed Berdyne, with a meaning glance at Trenwyck. "This is a big city, and the police will make things warm for us if we go too far."

Berdyne pa

shall——?
Berdyne paused, his eyes smouldering with a desperate resolve.

"Well." he added, as he gained the sidewalk and halled a taxicab, "I am not to be foiled this time. Gorsline is with me, and he will do whatever I tell him."

The taxicab drew up alongside the curb.

"Ride with the chauffeur." said Berdyne, to the man from the Barbary Coast, "and tell him where to go. Double fare for double speed."

With that he opened the cab door, pushed Trenwyck inside, stepped in himself, drew the door shut, and the motor rolled away.

It was ten minutes after five when Berdyne, Trenwyck and Gorsline jumped to the sidewalk in front of a small frame residence. The Red Filger was still at the curb.

For the most part, the great, pleasure-loving city was still asleep, all unconscious of the doom whose approach could be numbered by pulsebeats, by the ticking seconds of a watch.

It was a rarely beautiful morning; and yet fate shuddered in the balmy air:

As though an earthquake smacks its mumbling

Sunset Ranch now, Nick. This is a big city, and the police will make things warm for us if we go too far."

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"It must have been very lonely for

Beryl. "It must have been very lonely for you."

"Lonely," he echoed, "when it was my happiness to keep watch and ward over such lovely creatures as you and Tonita?"

"Flatterer!" murmured Beryl. "But must we go into the house as we are, dear?" she added, with a fresh quiver of dismay. "Is there no time for me to secure something to wear that will be more in keeping with—"

He smothered the words with a kiss.

"I feel that I cannot delay one single moment, my darling. Even as we speak, Berdyne, with all his hateful cunning, may be in pursuit of us. The safest and surest way to defeat his base schemes is to carry out our plans at once. Is it not so, Tonita?" and he turned to the Mexicana.

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"You speak truly, senor," she returned, in her soft, rippling voice.

He assisted them to alight, and they stood for a few moments on the walk beside the car, enjoying the freshness of the morning air.

"San Francisco," said Neil, "does not often have such mornings as this—clear, bright, sunny, the bay soft and sparkling, not a trace of fog, and the air trembling with a hint of spring! It is an omen, my heart's own!"

"Happy is the bride that the sun shines on," caroled Tonita, brushing her lips against Beryl's velvety cheek. "It is early for a bridal; and everything, even to our own inappropriate gowns, tinges the event with romance. It seems," she added, with a little spasm of ecstasy, "almost like an elopement!"

Beryl echoed Tonita's laugh with a soulful happiness there was no mistaking; then both girls followed Neil, who had mounted the steps to the house door. The good rector must have been sound asleep, for it took several rings of the bell to bring him to the entrance. He came, in gown and slippers, a grave, elderly, gentlefaced man, and cried out in astonishment at sight of Neil and the two fair ones beside him.

"Why, Neil!" he exclaimed. "What brings you to my home so early?"

"An affair of some importance, reverend sir," answered Neil. "I would have you unite me to the woman of my choice."

"A marriage!" he murmured, his wondering eyes passing from Beryl to Tonita. "Ah, he added, with a troubled look, "there is some mystery here!"

"Let us in, sir," said Neil, "and I will explain."

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"My precious one," he murmured. "Silks and satins, veils and orange blossoms are nothing to the hearts that love."

At that moment Tonita and Miss Bickerdyke entered the room, and presently, in full robes, came the rector.

"If you are ready, my children," said he gently. Then they stood before him, with the other two on either side. The sun, shining through a nearby window. tangled its beams in Beryl's hair, kissing it into gold.

In deep, solemn tones the minister pronounced the beautiful service, and, at the fitting moment, Nell placed a magnificent gem on Beryl's finger. It was not the wedding ring he had intended to use, but another, which he had purchased for Beryl and intended to give her later. The haste of the preceding hours, however, had left him no alternative.

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The last words were hardly said, and Neil had barely released his joyful bride from his arms, when an emphatic summons fell on the hall door.

"Who can that be?" murmured the minister.

A suspicion rushed through Neil's brain, a suspicion that was reflected in Beryl's startled face, and turned it nale.

"Courage, darling," Neil said reassuringly; "we have no one to fear now."

"It is Senor Berdyne!" came breathlessly from Tonita, who had stolen a glance from the window. Neil straightened-his supple, manly form.

"The door is locked against that scheming scoundrel!" exclaimed he, starting across the room. "Yet," he went on, with a flash of anger, "I will speak to him; I will tell him how vain are his despicable plots, and that now Beryl mand I are man and wife!"

"Neil," called Beryl, stretching out her hands appealingly, as though she would restrain him and keep him from threatening danger, "my love, my husband!"

"Hush, dearest!" he answered. "I must have a word with that man."

But the word was never spoken. Ere Neil could gain the hall, in a flash, and by a process swift as thought, came chaos!

Those in the little parlor had but time to exchange one agonized, bewildered look. That moment of rigid suspense ended, a thunderous roar sounded in their ears; there was a sickening swirl of motion, the floor heaved under their feet, the walls swayed, the celling appeared to crack apart. Furniture crashed, books were thrown from their shelves, a plano in one corner glided half across the room and back again, sounding a jumble of shrill, discordant notes.

Then came a wild, brain-racking crash. A great gap appeared above as the bricks of a chimney tore their way through the roof and ceiling into the very room where the bridal party stood.

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A despairing cry was wrenched from Neil's lips, and he reeled and fell prostrate. A scream burst from Beryl. She would have hurled herself upon her husband's form had not the door been broken open, and Berdyne, leaping in, caught her up in his strong arms. Despite the roaring and grinding of the earthquake, the thunder of falling chimneys and walls, the screams of women and children. Berdyne's evil spirit was in no wise dismayed.

"I have her now!" he gloated, his husky voice rising high over the tumult. "Stop me who can, or dares!"

Another moment and he had passed from the room like an evil specter, bearing the habless Beryl with him.

CHAPTER XII.

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The dark soul of Nicholas Berdyne rose superior to that awful situation. Although walls crumbled about him, towers tottered and fell, and the very pavement tilted and heaved beneath his feet, his exultation left no room for fear. As he descended the steps of the minister's home the cries of women came from near and far. A whitish-yellow dust hing over the street like a fog, and through it he caught glimpses of disheveled forms fleeing for life from the racked buildings.

At first, scream after scream had come from the lips of poor, hapless Beryl. Tortured on account of her husband, whom she had seen stricken down before her very eyes, dazed by the fury of the visitation of nature's forces, and distraught by the coming of Berdyne, she had swooned ere her bearer had passed the entrance and begun descending the steps.

In that hour of chaos and confusion there was none to question the strong man's right to bear his victim from the house. There were others, who still kept their heads, assisting the maimed and injured to places of safety. Had those others time or thought for question, their curiosity could have been easily parried. But every refugee was intensely occupied with his own immediate affairs.

Blinded and cheked by the dust, Berdyne peered toward the curb. But one vehicle remained there, and that was the automobile. Near it he saw a figure, but whether it was Trenwyck or Gorsline he could not tell from that distance. As he pushed forward another form raced out of the whitish-yellow pall toward the man by the automobile." shouted the distracted voice of the man who had rushed at the Red Flyer; "my wife is injured, perhaps dying! (continued on page 28.)

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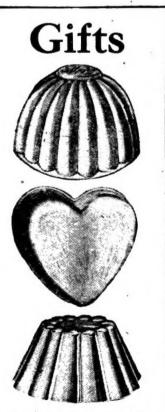
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HINVELACK CROW flew down into the HINYBLACK CROW flew down into the forest in a state of great excitement.

Cubby Bear and Racky Coon were marking out a hopscotch diagram on the smooth ground in front of Bunny Rabbit's house. Wollie Woodchuck sat on the ground waiting until the game should be ready, and Dr. Squilly Porcupine, medicine case in hand, stood watching them, and wishing he did not feel it beneath him to play hopscotch with them.

"Come, quick, quick!" called Shinyblack Crow.
"Come to the clearing by the big pine tree,
where you can get a better view. Run on ahead
of me, while I tell some of the others!"

"A better view of what?" asked Cubby Bear.
"Why, where are your ears?" asked Shinyblack
Crow. "Haven't you heard that roaring, rattling sound in the sky for the last ten minutes?"
"I—didn't notice," faltered Cubby Bear. "We
were talking."

"I heard it," said Wollie Woodchuck lazily,
"but I thought it was maybe just an earthquake or something.

"What is it?" asked Dr. Squilly.

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"Why, a great, gay-colored creature up in the sky, that files this way and that, up and down, and—you may not believe me, but it turns over and over in the air without falling! I don't know what to make of it! Why don't you start for the clearing? It may go away soon! If it files very low, run for your homes, for a man is flying with it! I went near enough to it to see him."

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They started off without more ado, only stopping at Mamma Bruin's house to take her along with them.

The strange, rattling noise was growing louder.

"Oh, oh, I see it!" cried Cubby Bear, suddenly, pointing upward.

A strange creature it was, indeed, salling gracefully through the air, far above them.

"It looks like a giant dragon-fly!" said Mamma

"It looks like a giant dragon-fly!" said Mamma Bruin.

"It's song is not musical," said Wollie Woodchuck, yawning. "I would far rather hear Robbie Reddie." Wollie lay down on his-back, and stretched out comfortably, where he could watch the flying monster at ease.

One by one the little woods people came hurrying into the clearing—Busy Beaver, Brother Binny Beaver, Minnie Mink, Foxy Reynard, Woozie Weasel, Chirpy Chipmunk, and others, all curious to see the wonderful sight.

"Look at him, look at him!" shouted Brother Binny Beaver, tossing high his hat in his excitement. "Turning right over, upside down! He'll fall! He can never keep his balance!"

But the monster did not fall. Instead, it righted itself gracefully, then tilted slowly over sideways until it had turned again completely. "What is that black speck up there in the sky?" asked Mamma Bruin.

"I have been wondering, myself," -answered Shinyblack Crow, "but cannot quite make out. I'm going up and see."

"Do not go too near," warned Cubby Bear, as Shinyblack Crow spread his black wings for flight.

He soon came down again, quite breathless

"Oh, that I, too, could fly!" he cried. "I would like to be up there, with the man, in the flying monster!"
"Then you would only fall, and be killed," Busy Beaver told him. "You are much better



him.

Alas it was true! Straight downward plunged the mighty bird.

"The rockery!" gasped Shinyblack Crow, who, poised in air, saw the danger that threatened. The rockery was not far from the pine tree clearing—a large, rock-covered place where scarcely a blade of grass or weed could find a foothold.

Away the animals hurried through the bushes, while the birds flew lightly overhead. The roar of the airplane grew fainter, as it went flying away into the distance.

They found poor Edric Eagle, his stately grandeur gone, lying limp and helpless among the roaks.

deur gone, lying limp and helpless among the rocks.

Dr. Squilly Porcupine hurriedly scrambled over the rocks to the fallen eagle, while the others crowded around.

"Stand back," ordered Squilly, sharply. Then he looked his patient over carefully.

"I am glad to tell you," he said, after what seemed a long time to the waiting crowd, "that Mr. Eagle is still alive. His wing is broken, and he is badly bruised, but he will soon be himself again. Where can we take him?"

"To my house," offered Mamma Bruin. "There is no other place large enough."

With Mamma Bruin's apron for a stretcher, Edric Eagle was carefully carried through the woods by Busy Beaver, Brother Binny Beaver, Mamma Bruin and Cubby Bear, while the others followed in solemn procession.

Edric Eagle awoke lying on Cubby Bear's bed. He was grim and silent at first, but such kindness as Mamma Bruin and Cubby Bear showed him, yes, and old Grandma Bear, too, quite won his friendship.

"Say nothing to him about his fall, Cubby Bear, kind Mamma Bruin said. "He is proud, and would not like to be reminded of his failure."

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Edric told Cubby Bear stories of his long, lonely life among the lofty crags of his mountain home. How day after day he sat in stately dignity, breathing the high, pure air, rejoicing in the dierce storms that swept the mountain, the beautiful dawns and sunsets.

"Lesser mountains and hills I can look down upon," he said, wrivers and valleys, lakes, forests and towns—and I am king of them all. Sometimes the clouds gather around my mountain top—the cool, gray clouds—and sometimes I am above the clouds, and watch the storm below me. I love the thunder storms, with the bright flashes, the zigzagging streaks of lightning, and the sound of the thunder rolling and crashing about me."

The broken wing was not long in healing, and Edric Eagle rejoiced as each new day brought back his strength. Few callers came, for Cubby's friends feared the great bird, with his keen eyes and silent ways, but Dr. Squilly called daily. "I shall leave you tomorrow," said Edric one aguilty looked anxions. "No. no." he said.

Squilly looked anxious. "No, no," he said, "your broken wing is not strong enough yet for such a flight."

"I shall start," said the eagle, "and go as I can. I stifle here in the lowlands. I need the bracing air of the heights."

So the next day he bade them all good by.

"I shall not forget you, Cubby Bear," he said, "and some day we shall meet again."

Then he started on his homeward journey, taking short flights, with long rests between; a lonely figure, going to his lonely home.

"I am sorry he was hurt," said Cubby Bear to Mamma Bruin as they watched him go, "but I am glad, glad, to have another friend."

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Happiness is nothing but the conquest of God through

Collect the words of the wise and virtuous as you would

Civilization tends to corrupt men, as large towns vitiate the air.

An infinitude of tenderness is the chief gift of all truly great men.

We should not inquire how rich a man is, but how much

Knowledge and timber should not be much used until they are well-seasoned.

Everything wise has already been thought; one can only try and think it once more.

Abundance consists not alone in material possessions, but in an uncovetous spirit.

Every evil to which we do not succumb is a benefactor; we gain the strength of the temptation we resist.

If we could read the secret history of our enemies, we should find in each man's life sorrow and suffering enough to disarm all hostility.

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is hard to detect, and, like a plague, he infests every corner of the land. You must destroy him or he will destroy you, your home and your children, for he is only a gorilla in human form. Make your lawmakers throw these anarchists out or elect men who will do it. We have played too long, talked too much. Now is the time for action. You can't let George do it, this is'a job you must attend to yourself or perish. God speed your work or America is lost. P. S. The Rochester Herald says: "Almost a year since the armistice was signed and the only democratic nation on earth still making a fool of itself." For pity's sake quit fooling and go to work.

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Now for the letters.

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I am certainly proud that I live in the good old U. S. A., for I think it is the grandest place on earth, and Moulton, Lawrence County, the grandest place of all. The County high school is situated at this place, which I have so long attended, this being my lifth year. I am in the senior class with sixteen other classmates, which I am deeply in love with—twelve girls and five boys. I am also a member of the Lee Society, there being two rival societies, the Lee and the K. W. G. Have always lived and worked on the farm and am proud of it. We have been readers of COMPORT for years and it certainly is a comfort. I want to read the book, "The Trial of the Lonesome Pine." Will return when read and pay postage. Let's all live a life that is worth living while we can, and we can if we but listen to the dictates of our own conscience.

Am glad to most with a young lady who is

Am glad to meet with a young lady who is proud to live in the U. S. A. A lot of lunatics and cranks seem to have got tired of this country, though they came here broke and now have money to burn. There is nothing in the U. S. the Bolshevist soreheads seem to like. But here's the funny thing, when they are gathered in by the police and threatened with deportation, they have forty-six legal societies, many of them financed by wealthy highbrows and crack-brained dreamers ready to hire the best legal talent to keep these vermin from being deported. I think I told you some time ago of sixty-eight of these rascals being rounded up in Seattle and one or two other places in the U. S. and brought here to Ellis Island, N. Y., for deportation. Now it turns out that only eight of these gentlemen are to be deported, or have been deported; the other sixty have been turned loose on us to work more devilment. In reading accounts of the Seattle Bolshevist upheaval which was squeiched by Ole Hanson, one got the impression that every "Red" in all the gang who planned and carried

out that effort to overturn the government by force, was rounded up and being sent east for deportation. The chief firebrand in this assault on our institutions was, of course, a Russian Jew with an English name. A price was offered for his capture, and the whole country was being scoured in an effort to locate him. Now I discover that this same red-eyed rascal is at liberty and stirring up more trouble. No wonder Senator Poindexter, on October 14, offered a resolution in the Senate requesting the Attorney General to advise that body why the Department of Justice has failed to take legal proceedings for the arrest and deportation of aliens who have preached anarchy and sedition and have openly advocated the unlawful destruction of industries, the destruction of property in pursuance of a deliberate plan and purpose to destroy and impede business essential to the propsperity and life of the community. Our grand old Uncle Sam today reminds me of a soldier who has been in the trenches and is smothered with cooties and is too lazy or indifferent or too fond of the cooties to submit to a delousing process. Oh, Lord, wouldn't I like to do that job for Uncle Sam! He does not know how to do it for himself but I know who the cooties are and how to get them. So you are deeply in love with your sixteen classmates, of whom (not of which) five are boys. Loving five boys all at once is going some. Even one is too much for a young lady of your age. Glad you are a member of the Lee Society, but keep away from the K. W. G.'s, as I understand that means Kaiser Wilhelm's Germans, and they have got to behave themselves and become Americanized, in this country at least, if they ever want to be friends of ours. I'm sorry to hear you are putting the lonesome pine has done, but, anyhow, if it is put in jail it will receive the same treatment accorded the other Bolsheviks and trouble makers for the last few years. It will be jailed one day and let out on bail for a thousand years the next. Billy the Goat has written a song which is ded

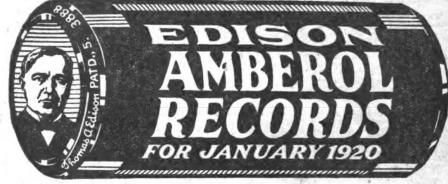
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DEAR UNCLE CHARLIE:

The letters in your corner are just fine and you answer them so well. How do you do it? Gee! I know I shall make a mess of this one of mine. I'm old enough to write a better letter, but did not have enough patience to remain in school long enough to get a good education. I am a working girl and guess I can get through with the education I have. Do the rest of you girls like the boys? I do, and I just can't help it. There is one that comes in to see me every night. He kisses me and the worst part of it is I like it, though we are not engaged, but he just will do those things anyway. Is it because he loves me or is he just trying to make me silly about him? He hardly ever dresses up when he comes, just comes in his work clothes. I live not far from where he boards. Gastonia is a great cotton mill town. We have about thirty or forty mills. Love to all the cousins.

Mary, if you want to improve your letter writing, go to a night school if there is one in your city. It only needs the will to do and a little self determination and you can make yourself a fundred per cent more proficient and efficient in anything you take up, provided, of course, you keep your mind on your task and cut out all the foolishness for a few months. This country is divided into various belts, the pie belt, which cuts dyspeptic New England from the rest of the world, or did antil the beckoning hands of the golden west drew the descendants (CONTINUED ON PAGE 21.)

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AM old-fashioned in this respect—I love a good horse. I have a flivver for quick or long trips, but when there is no need for hurry, I like to drive a spirited animal that pulls on the reins and makes you feel there's something alive ahead of you. Maybe that was one of the reasons that slick stranger had no difficulty in selling Betsy to me. When I looked at the keen eye, the beautifully poised head, the glossy coat, the good action, and then heard the price—I bit! Perhaps you have already guessed what kind of a horse she was, but never you mind, even if I did have all kinds of trouble, I'm not sorry I bought that mare. And somebody else says she isn't sorry, either. But that's getting ahead of my story!

The very first day I tried that mare out I found she wasn't a slouch. She had a long stride and an easy way of reaching out that just swallowed up the road. When I saw how really good she was, a suspicion entered my mind that maybe the chap had sold me stolen property, since he was willing to sell at such a ridiculously low figure. This was worrying me a little that day as we slackened our speed on the first hill.

"Take your time, old girl," I said.

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"Take your time, old girl," I said.
She had come to the same conclusion, for she stopped.
"Gidap!" I tapped her gently with the lines.
But she wouldn't!
"Now you get out of here!" I ordered; and I emphasized it with a touch of the whip. She threw her ears back, switched her tail savagely, and rolled her eyes wickedly till the whites showed.

"Possibly something is wrong with the harness," I muttered to myself. I jumped out and looked things over carefully. Everything seemed

showed.

"Possibly something is wrong with the harness," I muttered to myself. I jumped out and looked things over carefully. Everything seemed all right.

"I'll lead you a little piece, Betsy," I reached up, petted the soft nose, and then pulled forward on the bit. She set her forefeet, tossed her head, and wouldn't budge. Then I knew what I was up ngainst—Betsy had balked!

I dropped my hand in surprise, for here was something different. I scratched my head and tried to think. I had never owned a balky horse before in all my life. Something had to be done and that immediately, for I didn't want anybody to catch me in such a predicament and spread the news over the whole county.

So I tried to think of all the plans I had heard were good for a case like this. The first that came to my mind I immediately rejected—to start a little fire under the stubborn nag. That was too cruel. Also, I knew a man who lost a load of straw trying that way—his horse moved just far enough for it to be off and the wagon over the fire. Besides, wouldn't I have been a pretty picture at that job if somebody would have happened along?

The next one that came to my mind I didn't relish, either. It was to bite the left ear of the stubborn animal until it changed its mind. That method seemed rather primitive, and then, too, who would want to be an "ear-chawer"?

The only other plan I thought of was to unhitch the balky critter and lead it around in a circle. I had heard that this was a sure cure. It was claimed that as soon as you would hitch up again, the unruly animal would go right off. This method was easy enough, so I unhitched Betsy in a hurry, and she and I started to play "ring-around-a-ros-ee" till my head swam and my feet wouldn't track. When I couldn't stand it any more, I hitched her up again, crawled into the buggy, and said, "Gidap!" Betsy didn't seem to understand.

"Gidap, Betsy!" But Betsy didn't budge.

Again I repeated with emphasis, "Now, Betsy, gidap!" But she, stood stiff-legged, with the firm resolution to fight it

I looked up amazed, and I tell you I got an eyeful!

Right behind me, seated in one of those high traps, was the Girl. When I say "the Girl," you know what I mean. Ever since I had first seen her three weeks before, I had been scheming and planning some plausible way of meeting her so her first impressions of me would be a help to my plans. But instead—this! You could tell she wasn't thinking nice things about me; her eyes were burning with scorn, and the color coming and going in her cheeks showed me she was downright mad—so mad that she had entirely forgotten the wilted-looking chap in horn spectacles who sat by her side.

I was surprised all right, but after a few moments of confusion I decided I wasn't such a criminal, after all. Besides, here was my opportunity, and I had to make the best of it. So I looked her boldly in the eye, took off my hat with a flourish you would never associate with a bachelor owner of a hog farm, and said, "Miss, I am very sorry to say I'm not ashamed a bit! That mare deserved all she got and more!"

"No, she didn't!" the Girl asserted with emphasis.

"Yes, she did!" I retorted. "That nag there is balking!"

"That doesn't make any difference! You shouldn't abuse any dumb animal! Be patient

is balking!"
"That doesn't make any difference! You shouldn't abuse any dumb animal! Be patient with it, and talk in kind tones to it as you would to a child, and you can do more with kindness than you can with a dozen whips."
"You got to show me!" I asserted, stubbornly. She jumped from the trap, went to Betsy's head, stroked the silky nose, whispered something in her ear, and, wonder of wenders, Betsy started off as though she had wanted to all the time!
"For the love of Mike, Miss," I said, "don't

stop her! I'll climb in while you lead her, and maybe she will keep a-going!"

I jumped in, took up the lines, and Betsy didn't stop as the Girl let go. As the buggy caught up with her, I said, "Miss, you are a wonder. I dare not stop to tell you all I think, but I promise you I won't use the whip on Betsy again even if she balks on the railroad track!"

"I hold you to your promise," she replied, with the warmest kind of a smile in her eyes.

As I drove to town I had plenty to think about;—"a blg brute like you," and that hurt; then the warm little smile and that helped a bit.

My business didn't keep me long. Within an hour I had turned Betsy's nose homeward. Away we went! People turned to watch us. What speed! What action! Ah, this was worth while, I thought, forgetting all about Betsy's contrariness on the trip in. If I could meet the Girl

speed! What action! Ah, this was worm while, I thought, forgetting all about Betsy's contrariness on the trip in. If I could meet the Girl now,—

"Faster yet, Betsy!" I touched her with the lines, and then it happened again!

In the midst of her stride she started to stop! Her muscles were tensed, she lit stiff-legged, the buggy stopped with a jerk that almost pitched me out on her back.

My first thought was to grab the whip, but I remembered my promise, and that stopped me. Peeping cautiously up the road past Betsy's ears, I saw something that saved her, for there in the distance was the trap returning.

I jumped from the buggy, walked to Betsy's head, turned away from the coming trap, petted the mare's nose, and when I was sure the Girl was sure enough to hear, I began to speak in words that just dripped honey, "Betsy, dear, I would be ever so much obliged if you would just gidap!" "My own little Betsy, won't you please condescend to go on just a tee-ny, wee-ny little bit farther? If it's not too inconvenient for you, Betsy, let's go home!"

Then the Girl laughed.

Looking around as if astonished at her presence, I exclaimed, "Oh, how you surprised me! You see, Betsy has balked again! I am trying to be patient with her and talk to her in kind tones as I would to a che-ild, for I feel I can do more in this way than if I would wear out a dozen whips on her!" And I looked at the Girl and grinned.

"But she doesn't go," she said.

"Maybe she would for you," I suggested.

She jumped out of the trap, hastened across to Betsy, and again the mare listened to her whispered appeal.

"Miss," I said, "if that mare balks once more, I am going to give 'er to you!"

She smiled, jumped into the trap beside the be-spectacled chap she called Dickie, and drove away.

During the week that followed, Betsy was on her good behavior. Not once did she balk. Her coat became glossier, she held her head higher, and for style—there was no better in the country. I made it my business to find out more about the Girl, and the news wasn't good for me! I knew her father. He had been a farmer before he bought the mill in town, and he had lots of common sense. Her name was Mary. She had just returned from an eastern school, and this weak-kneed Dickie boy had hot-footed it away out here after her. People said this young fellow had more money than was good for him, and that Mary didn't look on him with disfavor. What I couldn't understand was why her dad didn't turn that dude so he faced east and kick him on the sunset side hard enough to give him a flying start over several counties on his way back home. But he didn't, and everywhere that Mary went, that lamb was sure to go.

And then we met again. I was driving Betsy to town. She was feeling frisky and I had trouble to bold her. Faster and faster we went till suddenly we came to a turn in the road hid by a high bank. I was just thinking I had better slow up when an automobile dashed around the curve. The glare of the sun on the lamps and windshield, and its sudden appearance, were more than Betsy could stand. She started to waltz on her hind feet—then, with a snort, tried to turn a handspring over a ditch and a high fence. I yelled and yanked and jerked and tried to stop her, but she wouldn't be stopped. She made a fizzle of the handspring, however, but succeeded finally in knocking off the right forewheel against a telephone post. Then the shafts

came off, and I was dragged by the lines over the dashboard, landing easily and gracefully on my chin. I let go of the lines and doubled up my stalwart frame. Betsy, pretty well tangled up by this time, shivered a little, and stopped dead still.

In that auto were the Girl and Dickie. She was driving. When she saw how she had scared my horse, she threw on the brakes so suddenly that the hind wheels skidded. A moment later she was kneeling beside me and looking with troubled eyes down into my face.

"You!" I murmured, pianissimo.

"Are you hurt?" she demanded.

I knew I wasn't, except for a scratch or two, but I didn't want to disappoint anybody. "Sure!" I replied, and I looked up in just the right way. I knew how, for sometimes I go to the "movies," too.

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I knew how, for sometimes I go to the "movies," too.

"Are you badly hurt?" she asked; I could see she was terribly worried.

"You bet I am!" I said enthusiastically. "You just feel how hot my head is!"

She did. I placed my hand on top of hers to help, closed my eyes, and wondered how long it would last. Finally she must have realized the pressure on her hand wasn't a sick man's, for she pulled it away.

"Don't you think you could walk to the machine?" she asked. "Then I could take you to a doctor!"

"I don't know!" I replied. "I'm willing to try." I reached for her hand to help me up; so supported on one side by her and on the other by the Dickie boy, I limped over and crawled into the car.

"Dickie, I will take this gentleman to the doctor. Will you ride his horse to our stable, and see she is taken care of? Now, that's a good boy!"

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doctor. Will you ride his horse to our stable, and see she is taken care of? Now, that's a good boy!"

"But that's a vicious creature!" Dickie demurred. "It's hard to tell what it might do!"

"Look, how quiet she stands! If you're afraid, I'll take the horse and you take the car!" she replied, rather indignantly.

"Oh, I can do it all right, but I hate to spoil our whole afternoon just on account of that fellow!" he said, as he reluctantly and timidly approached Betsy.

The girl jumped into the car beside me and away we went. "I'm sorry for it all, Mr. Morring," she said. "I'll have father pay..."

"How do you know my name's Morning?" I looked at her in astonishment.

"You keep still. You're supposed to be hurt," she replied with a smile. Then she dropped her eyes..."If it will help your health any, I've heard Father mention your name several times..."

"Say," I demanded boldly and bluntly, "is that Dickie boy back there anything to you?"

"That's none of your business, sir!" she answered, saucily, but her eyes weren't as impudent as her words.

Then, though I didn't know what to say, a great hope warmed my heart.

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We were silent a moment but after a time she turned to look back. I did the same, and what we saw probably more than what we thought caused us to say in unison, "Poor Dickle!" For back in the distance there was an equestrian statue in the middle of the road. Betsy had balked!



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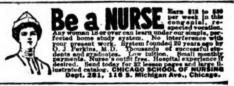


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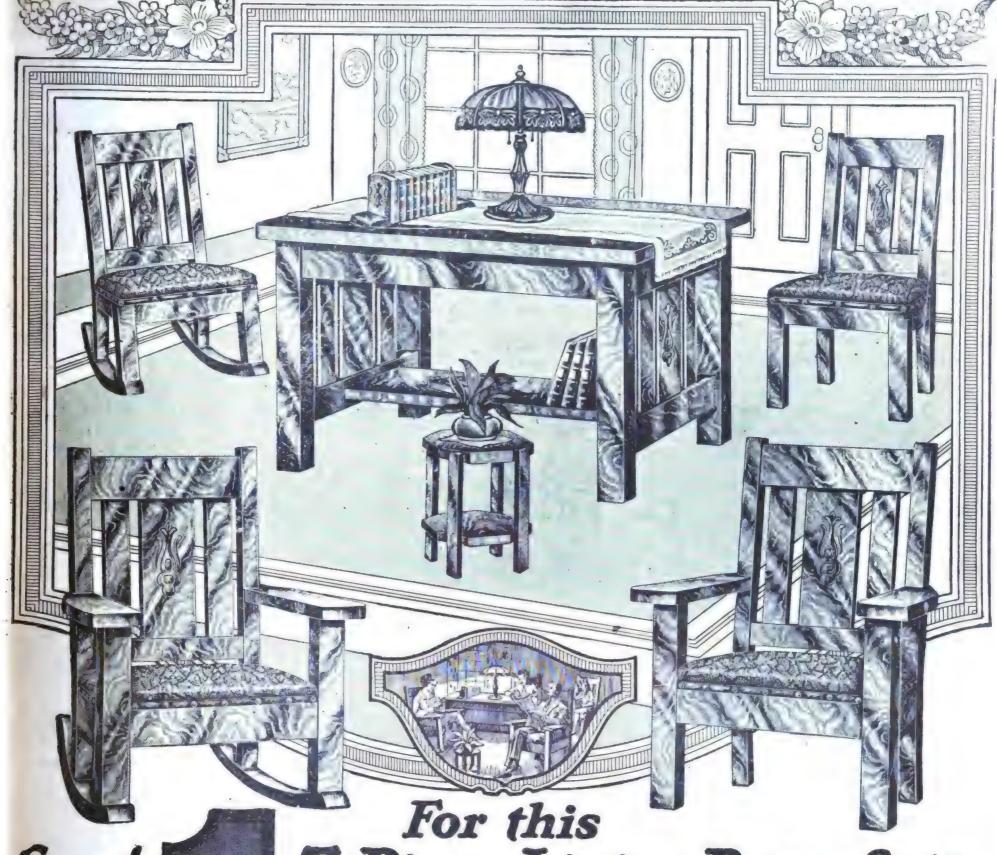


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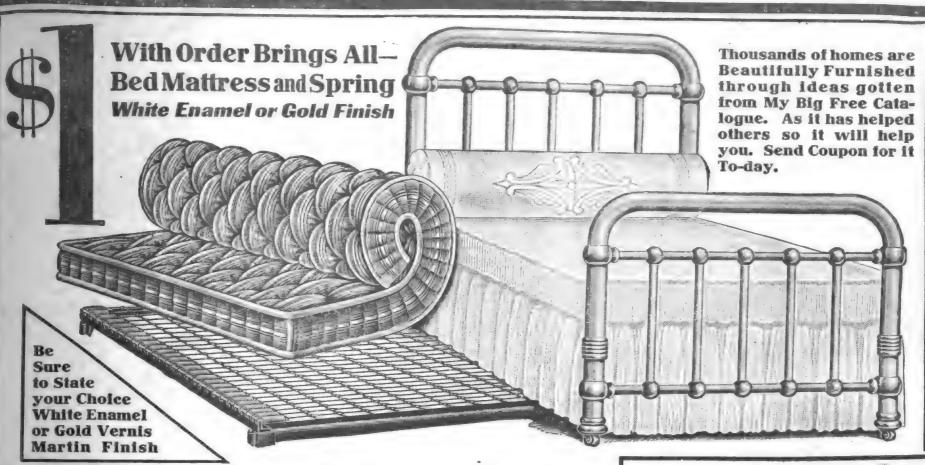
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There are many other dangerous little things

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One of the most common but worst habits is that of rubbing the hands over the face. Upon the human hand are more germs than anywhere else. The hand is constantly coming in contact with door knobs, stair rails, and almost everything else. Yet a great many people will sit, especially when in thought, and meditatively rub their hands over their face, or purse up their lower lip with their fingers, or rub their chin, or absent-mindedly stroke their nose.

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There may be a little abrasion on the face. With a man it may be a slight scratch from shaving. With a woman it may be a tiny scratch or a blemish. But if some poisonous germ is transferred from the hand to such an abrasion, a variety of serious things may happen from severe blood poisoning to other and worse germ diseases. The germs have been transferred to the hand first in a street car or store or public place.

Probably when most of the present grown-up generation was at the school days long ago, they were told not to put a lead pencil in the mouth because it hardened the graphite and spoiled the pencil. Today there is a far more important reason for teaching children never to put the point of a pencil in the mouth. If the point is wet it will pick up all sorts of dust. Germs are in dust. They travel as particles of dust. The pencil is thoughtlessly poked into unsanitary corners of the school desk or dropped on the floor, and then—away it goes into the child's mouth. A little crack in the lip or abrasion of the inner surface of the mouth, furnishes a lodging place for germs where they may work into the blood and serious things result.

Never moisten the tips of the fingers on the

work into the blood and serious things result.

Never moisten the tips of the fingers on the lips when counting money. The reason is apparent. And many a time a man has had blood poisoning of the face and blamed the barber shop when in reality it was through the careless habit of rubbing his fingers over his face or chewing the end of a lead pencil or wetting his fingers and counting money.

I knew of a mother who scolded her little girl and told her to "never-never-as-long-as-you-live" drink out of a public drinking cup.

"But I'm so thirsty, mamma," said the little girl.

"Come with me, dear, and I will get you an ice cream soda," the indulgent mother answered, and she took the youngster in a store and fed her the ice cream from the long-handled spoon.

All the washing that spoon had received for at least four or five hours was when it was thrust into a glass of cold water after it was used. Probably twenty-five or thirty people at the least had thrust the same spoon between their lips that day. What the conditions of these people's hands and mouths were, no one knows, but with all autionalities and classes of people, one can imagine that not every one of them was a paragon of neatness or health.

This is not very pleasant to consider, but it

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Biting the finger nails is another common danger. It is by no means a little danger. This has long been regarded as a bad habit because it spoils the nails. It does more than that, it endangers the health. Even with the very best of care, there are some germs beneath the nails. One cannot go half a day without picking up various things and every time this is done, dust and dirt and germs lodge beneath the nails. In biting them, bits frequently sliver off into sharp points and prick the lips or gums and then the danger of blood poisoning is at hand. The use of common soap, the soap found in hotels and other public places, is being discouraged. It is really just as dangerous as would be the use of a common tooth-brush. Better wash without soap than use a cake which scores of people have rubbed over their hands.

How many women in street cars and in shops thoughtlessly put coins in their mouths. It is extremely dangerous. And many women at their home correspondence, wet the gummed daps of the envelopes with the tips of their tongues. These envelopes may have been gummed by machinery, as are the postage stamps, but who knows how the gum was mixed and what went into it, or what workman's fingers rubbed along the edges of the envelope?

If the child gets a splinter in his finger, he runs to mother, who invariably takes a needle or the point of a penknife and removes it. The needle may have gathered dust from the floor, or a fly with "typhoid feet" may have alighted on it. Dust flies up from the floor and settles in boiling water first, because you have to pry into the flesh with the point and into the tiny velns. If there's a germ on the tip of the needle in boiling water first, because you have to pry into the flesh with the point and into the envel poisoning is likely to result. Always drop a bit of antiseptic on the spot where the splinter came out.

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Whenever a woman travels she is careful to take along a case for her tooth-brush. But at home she will allow it to hang uncovered in the bathroom. The maid goes in there and dusts at least a couple times a week. In summer, dust blows in from outdoors, and some of it in time may lodge in the brush and in this dust there is bound to be germs. Some of them may be of the harmful sort. Keep the tooth-brush guarded in a case in the home, just as when traveling. A little traveling case with ventilating holes in it.

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But all the carelessness is not on the part of the woman. The smoker will thoughtlessly lay his cigar down on a table. He allows the burning end to extend over the edge, naturally, in order not to burn the table. The moistened end of the butt, from his lips, rests on the table, What was on the spot before? No one knows, but the smoker complacently picks up his cigar and transfers whatever germs are on it to his lips.

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And this same man may chide his wife for leaving the tooth-brush exposed, while he allows his shaving brush to remain exposed. This will gather ten times as much dust as the tooth-brush, and there is always the danger of a slight scratch while shaving. The germs are nixed with the soap and rubbed into the scratch.

Sometimes you are suddenly called upon to shake hands with a stranger. To refuse is impossible, Yet, absurd as it may seem, there are times when it is advisable to wash your hands after such a hand clasp, especially if the stranger does not appeal to you as strictly hyglenic.

After all, it is better to be safe than sorry. But do not get the idea from this that every germ is a monster in which either sudden or lingering death lurks. Not half the germs are dangerous; some of them are healtby, like the germs in butternilk for instance, yet now and then the really dangerous germs float along germs of all sorts of blood diseases and even of other deceases.

And because of this, there is always the chance

a paragon of neatness or health.

And because of this, there is always the chance
This is not very pleasant to consider, but it
is important. A spoon coated with germs might
soak in cold water a month and not a germ
Constant care and common sense will lessen this
would be killed. As a matter of choice, the danger to the minimum.

be — or that you sing by note. No "trick" music, no "numbers," singing?

Piano,

Organ.

Violin,

Viola,

Banjo,

Tenor Banjo,

Mandolin,

Clarinet.

Saxophone,

Flute,

Cello,

has been utterly spoiled and ruined by the admission "I can't sing," or, "No, thoroughly time tried and proven. I am sorry, but I can't play.'

At all social gatherings some one is sooner or later sure to suggest music. When the others gather around for When the others gather around for Read the enthusiastic letters from the fun, the one who can take no part some of them, which you will find feels hopelessly out of it-a wall flower printed at the right-samples of the

-a mere listener and looker-on.

Or those long and lonesome evenings at home, when minutes seem like hours-how quickly the time would pass if you could spend it at the piano or organ-or in making a violin "talk," or in enjoying some other instrument.

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clans tuning merrily their fiddles in an alcove— Virginla reels, and country-dances, and cotillions, and the graceful dances of the past, before the bride was spirited away to don her going-away frock, and steal away with her husband, in his big touring car, to disappear from the haunts of men for their honeymoon, which was to be spent away off in the north woods, in a glorious camp beneath the white stars, with the river rushing by, and the pines overshadowing it; there. David declared, he would teach her the true beauty and charm of the woods that she had never seen—the wonderful woods of the great northwest.

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rue beauty and charm of the woods that she had never seen—the wonderful woods of the great northwest.

But before they had slipped away from the merry dancers, Nancy led David Muir to a secret place, and, closing the door from all observers, confronted him with eyes that danced.

"I have somewhat to say to you, young man," quoth Nancy, "which is not fit for the ears of the public to hear—least of all, for the ears of your wife, who, something tells me, has been shamelessly deceived."

"Oh, come now, Nancy, that's a good fellow," pleaded the bridegroom, on whose face a look of alarm—bad flashed, "don't be too hard on a chap, you know—reserve your accusations for some time in the far future, can't you?"

"No time like the present," declared Nancy, who was fumbling in the folds of her frock for a mysterious unseen pocket. Finding this hidden receptacle, Nancy fished out something bright, and hard, and shiny and round—in other words, a gold coin, which she laid solemnly on David Muir's outstretched pain.

"Honor-bright, cross-my-heart and hope-1-may-die-if-1-tell," said Nancy, impressively, "but will you cast your eagle eye upon the date of that coin—which did not come from the top-layer of the bags taken from the—mound, but from one of the bags beneath, which, it is needless to say, were not obened—by Elennor. I took this out merely as a fucky-piece. She never saw it—and she never will! But oh, David, David, why didn't you

were not opened—by Eleanor. I took this out merely as a lucky-piece. She never saw it—and she never will! But oh, David, David, why didn't you tell me? You'd have saved me premature white hairs, and possibly an early decease! The tortures I underwent that night were only surpassed by those endured by Eleanor, you know."

"It wouldn't have done," grinned David, shamelessly, "you'd have balked—I knew that—you've got pide of your own, young lady I And consider my feelings, will you? Great Jehosophat! When I think of going through with all I did go through, I'm amazed that my own hair isn't white! Suppose I'd gone deep enough?—but I didn't, you bet! I'm a self-convicted criminal—but for the love of Mike, don't ever tell Eleanor!"

The date on the coin was 1866—and Nancy never told!

God hides some ideal in every human soul, and life finds its noblest spring of excellence in this hidden impulse to do our best.—Robert Collyer

Crisholm's Adventure on New

By Joseph F. Novak

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HEN I feel blue, I try to make someone happy."

The thought came to Marshall Crisholm as he sat in the parlors of the Genevra Club. The thought was not salesgirl in a haberdashery store that morning when he went to buy a pair of gloves.

But not of the salesgirl is this story, except that it was her remark that led to the amazing adventure Crisholm indulged that night.

Marshall seas feeling blue. And when a man, possessed of a fine personality, millions of dollars and plenty of friends feels blue, there is but one reason for it—a girl.

It was Miss Diana George in his case. He loved her yet was at a loss as to how to woo her, because she was like unto the goddess after whom she was named, beautiful, clever, very independent and seemingly beyond the alturements of love. Nor was she given to clinging-vine tendencies and Marshall was afraid sentimentality would be frowned upon if he used it to gain fier.

And then, while he was trying to make up his mind as to best ways and means, along came Monroe Arbuckle, fresh from the West. It cannot be gainsaid that Arbuckle "had a way with him" that was refreshing—he could laugh heartily and no one would be shocked; he could be bluff and such a solecism was forgiven him, and he had a way of talking with women that savored of his manner of talking with men which was rather engaging and so naturally all the girls took to him. Had they known where he acquired that manner they might have shuddered, but they did not and thought it quite movel and refreshing.

Crisholm often felt like punching Earle Barrett's head for introducing the bounder (as he thought of Monroe Arbuckle) into their set, but the thing was done and the westerner and his millions were admitted everywhere. The worst of it was that Diana seemed to be taken with him, and when Marshall called upon her and told of two tempting seats which he had secured for the opera for New Year's Eve and a table reserved at the Sunken Gardens, quite the

He had not much time to mull about it, how-wer, for he was a young and energetic business man, but now with the evening coming on, and the thought of Diana being in Arbuckle's com-pany that night, he was plunged into the very depths of the blues.

"When I feel blue, I try to make someone

happy."
Suppose he were to try-the experiment? But who could he make happy? Surely none of the people all about him. They were loaded down with riches, but in spite of that were either downright discontented or else had developed a calm acceptance of that horrible state, satiated selfishness. No bluebird of happiness roosted in their homes—or, perhaps more to the point, their apartments.

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Crisholm dawled about a bit longer, then with a snort of disgust, he got up, called for his hat and coat and went outside.

It was bitterly cold, but the air was chastely clear and the stars were brilliant. He hailed a taxi and got into it.

Being a truly democratic chap, he did not hold the taxi-driver at a distance, but at once engaged him in conversation.

"I suppose you boys will have a pretty busy night of it," he began, "but nothing to what it used to be on New Year's morning before prohibition went into effect, eh?"

"Yes, sir," the driver responded civilly, "Twas a caution some of the things we bumped up against in those days. Where do you want to go?"

"Oh, I don't know. I just want to kill time."
"And on New Year's Eve?" the chauseur
murmured.

ormured. Crisholm caught the murmur. "Could you suggest how I could spend the

evening?"
"Well. I know how I would if I had the money," the chauffeur said.
"How?"

"How?"
"Well, I'd go to a show and get the best seats. Then afterwards, I'd go to a swell restaurant and have a bully feed. Gee, that'd make me and the wife happy."
"Suppose you do it then?" suggested Crisholm. "What do you mean?" queried the chauffeur. "Just this: I've got a couple of seats for the opera. The Jewels of the Madonna' is to be sung and it is a spectacular opera, so that if you don't understand the music, you'll enjoy the wonderful stage pictures. I've also got a table reserved at the Sunken Gardens and supper ordered for two, so that the only expense you'll have will be to tip the waiter—and I'll give you ten dollars for that. Do you want to go in my stead and take your wife with you?"
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"I'm not kidding," Crisholm protested, "I'm

in earnest."
"What will I do with my car? Take it back to the garage and tell them I want the evening



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Year's Eve

off? I see where my job'd be tomorrow."

"I'll take your place as chauffeur!"

"Gosh, fellow, you ain't crazy, are you?"
queried the chauffeur in alarm.

"Not at all, but I'm sick of those things that you'd enjoy. And I, in turn, would relish the experiences you would have tonight at your job as taxi-driver. Turn around and go back to the club. I'll loan you my dress suit and I'll put on your togs."

"What?" he exclaimed, jamming on his brakes so suddenly that the machine skidded.

"Just what I said. Will you do it?"

"No," the driver returned shortly, now evidently convinced that he was driving a lunatic.

"Come on, now," Marshall coaxed. "I'm not 'nutty." I'm just bored to death and want to forget something that won't be forgotten."

"How do I know you're responsible? I turn over to you a taxi-cab worth several thousand dollars—"

"Let me identify myself then. My name is

over to you a taxi-cab worth several thousand dollars—"
"Let me identify myself then, My name is Marshall Crisholm and I have offices in the Reddiston Building, I live at the Genevra Club. Look at these cards of membership in various clubs and associations that I carry. See my initials in my hat, my coat and dress suit. They serve to identify me, do they not?"

The driver sat up at all these genuine references, and looked half inclined to give in to the wild suggestion.
"Drive to the club," Crisholm said, "we'll make the change and both be happy in doing each other's work.

His wheedling tone won. The driver turned about and in a short time they were before the Genevra Club.
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Crisholm was admitted deferentially by the doorman, and was greeted by his mates as he passed them to the elevator.

"If you want further identification," he said as they stood waiting for the elevator, "look! Here is my picture with my name below it," and he pointed it out in a large frame which contained the photographs of all the club's members.

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This dispelled the last doubt in the chauffeur's mind and he entered into the spirit of the

mind and he entered into the spirit of thing.

"What's your name?" Crisholm queried as they entered his apartments.

"Dan Kent," the chauffeur replied.

"Well, Kent, here we are. Are you game?"

"Yes!" Kent exclaimed. "But let me call up my wife, so's she can get ready. I got her a classy party dress for Christmas so I guess she'll go all right."

He did so.

"She thinks I'm crazy," he said as he hung up the receiver, "but she'll be ready when we come. What excuse will I make to the Company?"

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"Tell them that Marshall Crisholm, who has a charge account with them, has taken your car for the entire evening and you'll report when he dismisses you."

Again Kent 'phoned, then:

"All right, again," he announced.

"Then let's change clothes," Crisholm said.

Kent was a clean-cut young fellow, with a handsome, good-natured face. So that when the change was effected, outside a little self-consciousness he made quite an acceptable clubman, while Crisholm fitted the role of chauffeur even as well, except, perhaps, that he looked somewhat too refined and intelligent for his job.

They left the club and soon were speeding down the street, and the way Crisholm handled the cab assured Kent that he had left the machine in experienced hands. It was not long before they reached Kent's home, where they picked up Mrs. Kent. Then tracks were made for the opera house, which was reached just in time for the overture.

"I'll pick you up at the Sunken Gardens at any time you're ready after one o'clock," Crisholm said as he drove off.

He was filled with the excitement of the thing.

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As he drove along, his eyes fell upon the flashing electric sign of the Lariat & Pommel Club, a rather blatant organization patronized by western millionaires and at which Arbuckle was staying.

"I wish that chump would want a taxi. Wouldn't I like to get him for a fare! I'd drive like the devil and try to break his neck," he thought, 'Christianly.

Now, perhaps fate was waiting to call his bluff, for just then Arbuckle did emerge from the club and halled.

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"Where to?" he asked respectfully, keeping his face as well hidden as he could.

"No. 3709 South Drive," was the reply.

Diana's home! Crisholm's heart gave a jump. Was he going to take her to the New Year Dance in an ordinary taxi? But that was just like the bounder. like the bounder. However, he only nodded and drove to the address. Arbuckle got down and went into the

However, he only nodded and drove to the address. Arbuckle got down and went into the house.

What torture Crisholm suffered. He thought of his rival's reception, while he sat, a menial, awaiting the word to take them to the gay New Year Dance.

In a few moments, through the great glass doors, Diana appeared, with Arbuckle behind her. What a picture she made in the glow of the hall lights! She was gowned in white and silver, with a great bird of paradise in her hair. And how gracefully she drew on her opera wrap, a thing of deep old rose lined with delicate yellow and topped with white fur! Her very movements were enough to quicken one's heart beats!

The couple descended and entered the cab, "Take the North Drive, soh," Arbuckle said, "and I'll give you further instructions later on." The North Drive! That was not not the way to the Gardeners'! "The bounder is going to propose and wants to have her all to himself so that she can decide before they get to the dance," Crisholm thought, as he savagely jammed in the clutch and started the car. "But I'll listen, and find out if he does."

He drove very carefully, for he had a most precious fare now. The streets were icy and the chains crunched on the slippery pavement. Soon the North Drive was reached, snowy, deserted and dark, for something was the matter with the electric lights and they were not II-luminated.

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"Why, Mr. Arbuckle!" Crisholm heard Diana say, "have my actions been such to warrant the honor you wish to confer?" There was no surprise, however, in her voice.
"You accepted my invitations and I thought I had a right to hope."
"If did that because I considered you a stranger entitled to our courtesy." "But now that I have broached the subject, you really do not find use objectionable, do you?" he asked
Diana paused, and Crisholm clutched the wheel so tightly that, had it been green wood, he'd have crushed water from it.
"Hardly," Diana replied at length, and her voice told the pseudo-chauseur that she was plac-

ing Arbuckle's heart in the discard where she had been obliged to put so many other unsolicited ones.

But Arbuckle did not know the tone, for he continued eagerly:

"Then I may hope?"

"No, Mr. Arbuckle," very quietly but firmly.
"I like you very well and I believe that it was the fact that you treated and spoke to me as man to man that made me more liberal in my acceptances of your favors than I otherwise would have been."

"Then you don't feel about this as I do?" (If Crisholm had been in a position to do so, he would have knocked the man down.)

With hauteur, Diana replied:

"I don't like your tone, Mr. Arbuckle."

"Say, Miss, I've been bragging around the Lariat & Pommel Club that I was going to marry you, and I'm going to. The boys said I'd have a time, but I know how we do things out West. If we want a girl, we get her——"

"You insulting brute!" Diana cried angrily. "Chauffeur! Stop! I wish to get down."

"You go on driving, you shrimp!" stormed Arbuckle, "or I'll blow your head off! See?" and he whipped out a revolver.

"Oh, don't shoot!" begged Crisholm in terror, "I'll do what you want! Don't kill me. I got a wife an' kid an' I'm their only support."

"Well, behave yourself, but remember, I'm pretty quick with a gun."

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"You coward!" Diana blazed at the chauffeur.
"I'm sorry, lady," Crisholm whined, "but I got a wife an' kid an' I'm—"
"Shut up and keep your eyes peeled for a minister's house."
"How can you marry me without a marriage "How can you marry me without a marriage

"How said I didn't have one?" Arbuckle queried. "I got it this morning." He took the license from his inside pocket, displayed it, then thrust it back.

"I'll never consent to marrying you. I'll tell

thrust it back.

"I'll never consent to marrying you. I'll tell the minister of your contemptible conduct."

"You'd better consent for I'll make him go through the ceremony even at the point of a gun," Arbuckle retorted.

"Your cave-man wooing is not without interest," Diana remarked, veiled contempt in her voice. "I hardly expected that I was going to commence the New Year as a bride."

"Well, it's a good time. And you might make a resolution to look up to me as a dutiful wife should and forget those notions of independence and being an old mald. You see, a woman's independence is nothing when she gets into the power of a strong man."

There was an element of truth in this. Diana made no reply.

"Say, you mutt," Arbuckle went on, addressing Crisholm, "are you watching for a minister's shingle?"

"I just was going to tell you I saw one,"
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Crisholm said. "I——I——wish you wouldn't
point that gun at me, sir. I'm afraid it might
accidentally go off, sir, an' I got a wife an'
kid dependent upon me, sir."

"Shut up and drive up to the house."
Crisholm did. In the window of the little
house, an illuminated sign told the world that
John Cloverdale of ——— Church resided there.

"There you are, sir, an' sir——kin——kin I
go back to my wife an' kid, sir?"

"You stay here and take my directions."

"Yes, sir," Crisholm replied very humbly, "But
may I cover the engine, sir, so she'll keep warm
sir?"

"Go ahead."

Arbuckle and Diana had gotten out of the

"I guess Arbuckle thought he had me completely buffalced."

Arbuckle and Diana had gotten out of the taxi. Now they waited while the trembling chauffeur lifted the seat and drew from under it a blanket. His terror was so evident that Arbuckle laughed brutally and dropped his revolver into his pocket.

"Come on," he ordered, and they started for the house, Crisholm following with a hang-dog air. But they had not observed that their chauffeur had filched a heavy little tool from the machine. So while they stood on the porch waiting for someone to answer their ring, something suddenly landed with a thwack that crushed in Arbuckle's hat and crumpled him upon the floor. And then when the door was opened, the light fell upon the spectacle of a chauffeur evidently robbing his victim. And to the terrified minister who had opened the door, Crisholm said:

"Tell this bird when he comes to that we've got the goods on him and if he doesn't check

out tomorrow (if he's able) somebody'll see that he does. He ain't goin' to scare me for nothin', me with a wife an' kid to support." He thrust the marriage license inside his coat, then suddenly caught up the dumbfounded Diana in his arms, rushed with her to the taxi, placed her in it, slammed the door and started like Jehu for her home, all the while listening and standing ready to assist her if she should faint or develop hysterics.

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But Diana did not, and so he continued to drive, and after a while her home was reached.

Crisholm got down and respectfully opened

the door.
"I got you from here, ma'am, so I'm bringin' you back," he said.

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"I got you from here, ma'am, so I'm bringin' you back," he said.

"Come into the house, my good man," Diana said, "you have rendered me a service and I must see how I can reward you."

"Yes'm," and Crisholm followed her into the house and to the fibrary, where she lit the lamps and then pressed the electric button which set the electric radiator in the grate to glowing.

"Sit down, my friend, and tell me how I can repay you," and waving her hand to a chair that stood beside the grate, Diana sank-wearily into one opposite it and closed her eyes.

"You kin repay me, ma'am," he began humbly, "by bein' good to Mr. Crisholm, and giving him the right to protect you the rest of your life. He loves you but doesn't know how to go about wooing you. He was afraid sentimentality would be frowned upon and evidently cave-man stuff can't do the trick, either. Teil me, Diana, where is the path to your heart?"

When he started to speak, Diana listened with closed eyes; then as he continued she sat erect and then finally ejaculated.

"Marshall Crisholm! What are you doing in chaufteur's livery? I thought I had been rescued by a man who had a wife and child. And you follow with a proposal after that—that—other?"

"It is because I love you, Diana, love you as I never loved you before. Shall I tell you what

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"It is because I love you, Diana, love you as I never loved you before. Shall I tell you what led up to this wild adventure?" And then when she nodded, he told her the whole story.

And at its close, he finished:
"Diana, Diana, have I a chance? Can I show it? Can I prove it?"

He was very earnest now, and going up to her, he stood before her, his hands clasped, his eyes burning.

And Diana, looking away, said demurely:
"Then how—how may I claim you?"

She looked at him, then threw her hands from her and stood, in surrender.

He caught her to his heart and she nestled there.

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"I think it was my name, Marshall, she whispered. "Everyone thought I considered myself beyond the allurements of love. I did want the love of a good, true, honest man, but those who courted my favor were not the ones I wanted. I think I must have unconsciously been waiting for you, for your kisses and the feel of your protecting arms about me."

Crisholm renewed his caress.

"It pays to try and make others happy," he said.

"Those poor people will be wondering why you do not come," Diana reminded, "The man will probably want his livery back so to be at work temorrow." "This livery hallowed by the touch of your dear face?" Crisholm exclaimed aghast. "He'll never get it. It is too sacred. "I'll buy it from blm."

him."
"To think that I am allowing that 'cowardly chauffeur' with a wife and child to embrace me," murmured Diana.
"I'm some actor, eh, what?" Crisholm said.
"I guess Arbuckle thought he had me completely buffaloed."
"I wonder if we'll see him.



dear face



Address



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exclusive food for a grown person or even a child. Comparing the nutritive values of animal food, one quart of milk supplies practically as much of both fuel and energy as three quarters of a pound of beef of average composition or eight average eggs. Thus, while other animal foods (meat, eggs and cheese) are desirable to give variety to the diet, it may be assumed that milk may be used as an economical substitute for any one of them, and when combined with the vegetable foods as in milk soups, chowders, and gravies, milk will be found the cheapest animal food when considered from a nutritive standpoint. Again, from the point of view of the need of the body, it is extravagant to add milk to the bill of fare when meat, meat soups, milk tustards or milk sauces on vegetables are served.

Combination dish.

which has been soaked and freshened, make exclient soups.

Kothyrs.—Warm until tepid in double boiler one quart of sweet milk then stir into it one sixth of a compressed yeast cake which has been dissolved in a tablespoon of tepid water. Divide equally into three pint bottles; cork and the learners of the corks. Place on sides for twenty-four hours where the temperature is about eighty degrees. Shake occasionally. Chill before serving.

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in large quantities is considered poisonous. When potatoes are exposed to warmth and light, this bitter principle is developed. It is found also in the eyes and in some instances in the skin. There is no danger whatever in using the water in which potatoes have been boiled, provided they have not commenced to grow and the eyes have been cut out. Aside from flavor, there is an other objection to throwing away the potatoe water. It contains soluble vitamins and minerals which give to potato skins one of their chief hygienic values."

Mow to Cook Potatoes

Steaming and baking cause the least loss of food value.

Boiled Potatoes.—Select potatoes of uniform size, wash and scrub with a brush. Slice the peel from the seed end. Drop into boiling salted water; just enough to cover. Cook until soft but not broken. Drain at once and set uncovered on back of stove to dry off.

BAKED POTATOES.—Put into moderately hot oven. When soft, pierce several times with a fork so that the steam will escape and prevent the potatoes becoming watery and unwholesome. Masher Potatoes becoming watery and unwholesome. Masher Potatoes several mash into each of the potatoes becoming watery and unwholesome. Masher Potatoes begins and mash into some instances in the skin. It is found also bits to bit too thick.

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Quite often in a pan of potatoes will be found several of a bright green tinge, or one end only will be green.

This not being the natural potatoe should be kept on back of stove to dry off.

Baken Potatoes.—Put into moderately hot oven. When soft, pierce several times with a fork so that the steam will escape and prevent the potatoes becoming watery and unwholesome. Mashed Potato.—Boil, and mash into same tettle which should be kept on back of stove. To each pint of mashed potato add a scant half teaspoon of salt, one tablespoon of butter, a little pepper, and to cream or milk to moisten. Beat with a spoon or fork until light.

Potatoes add the beaten white of an egg. Refill the potato shells which have been kept hot in the oven, sprinkle with grated cheese and bread-crumbs, dot with butter and return to oven to brown.

Potato Soup.—Pare, boil and mash four potatoes.

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Bolled Potatoes.—Select potatoes of uniform size, being and with a brush. Slice the peel from the seed end. Drop into boiling salted water; just enough to cover. Cook until soft but water; just enough to cover. Cook until soft but water; just enough to cover. Cook until soft but water; just enough to cover. Cook until soft but water; just enough to cover. Cook until soft but water; just enough to cover. Cook until soft but water; just enough to one and set uncovered to be a detail on the seed end. Drop into boiling salted water; just enough to one and set uncovered to be seed end. Drop into boiling salted water; just enough to one and set uncovered to

nice cold.
SAUSAGE AND BROWNED POTATOES.—Make your Sausage meat if you want to know what you are eating. Weigh meat carefully, allowing one third the amount of fat that there is lean. Use only good, sweet pork. Put through meat chopper, using the fine cutter. To each pound of meat, use one scant tablespoon of salt, one scant half teaspoon of white pepper and one tablespoon of finely sifted sage. The home dried sage is the best. Sausage meat will keep the best in cotton bags. These are made by sewing together strips of clean white cloth, washing again and then dipping into a solution of strong hot salt and water. Dry, and then fill closely with the meat, pressing it in with a round, flatheaded stick the size of the bag.

Boil potatoes, steam dry and peel. Bake sausages in a hot oven in a shallow pan, and when half done, drain off most of the fat, and put the hot boiled potatoes in the pan to brown while the sausages finish cooking.

Snow Man for the Children,—Drop falls.

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Designs in Filet and Plain Crochet

Scarf in Floral Filet

BY MRS. LAURA MATHEWS.

ATERIALS-No. 40 white mercerized crochet cotton, suitable size

steel crochet hook.
Of these materials the finished scarf would measure about thirteen

by forty-eight inches.

Begin with ch 214 sts, turn.

Ist row.—I d c, in 4th st from hook, 1 d c in each of next 2 sts, ch 2, sk 2, 1 d c in next st, this makes 1 blk, repeat making 67 more blks, 4 d c, in last 4 sts, ch 2, turn.

sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 3 blks, 1 sp, 3 blks, 17 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.

32nd row.—3 d c, 20 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 7 blks, 2 sps, 5 blks, 25 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.

32nd row.—3 d c, 20 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, 8 sps, 2 blks, 23 sps, 1 blk, 8 sps, 1 blk, 8 sps, 1 blk, 8 sps, 1 blk, 8 sps, 1 blk, 31 sps, 1 blk, 6 2.

22nd row.—2 d c, 2 sps, 2 blks, 10 sps, 6 blks

33rd row.—3 d c, 3 sps, 2 blks, 19 sps, 6 blks, 1 sp, 2 blks, 1 sp, 5 blks, 2 sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 3 blks, 12 sps, 2 blks, 2 sps, 4 d c, ch

34th row.—3 d c, 2 sps, 4 blks, 11 sps, 3 blks, 2 sps, 4 blks, 1 sp, 2 blks, 2 sps, 3 blks, 2 sps, 2 blks, 4 sps, 3 blks, 17 sps, 4 blks, 2 sps, 4 d c, ch 2.

21st row.—Blk on blk, 31 sps, 1 blk, 8 sps, 1

blk, si st over blk, ch 2.
22nd row.—1 blk, 8 sps, 1 blk, 29 sps, 1 blk, si
st over blk, ch 3.

23rd row.-1 blk, 28 sps, 1 blk, 7 sps, 1 blk, h 2, turn.

35th row.—3 d c, 2 sps, 4 blks, 16 sps, 8 blks, 27 sps, 1 blk, 27 sps, 1 blk, 27 sps, 1 Fairy Block Insertion

Begin with ch 33 sts, 1 d c in 9th st from hook, turn.

1st row .- 4 more sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

2nd row.-2 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 2 blks, 2 sps, ch 5. turn.

3rd row.—3 sps, 2 blks, 4 sps, ch 5, turn. 4th row.—3 sps, 2 blks, 4 sps, ch 5, turn. 5th row.—2 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 2 blks, 2 sps, ch 5,

turn. 6th row.-5 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5,



SCARF IN FLORAL FILET DESIGN, BY MRS. LAURA MATHEWS, SPECIAL PRIZE WINNER,

2nd row.—3 d c, 68 blks, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.
3rd row.—3 d c, 3 sps, 7 d c over next 2 sps (2 blks), 4 sps, 2 blks, 12 sps, 4 blks, 2 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.
36th row.—3 d c, 3 sps, 2 blks, 21 sps, 8 blks, 1 sp, 3 blks, 2 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.
36th row.—3 d c, 3 sps, 2 blks, 21 sps, 8 blks, 1 sp, 5 blks, 4 sps, 2 blks, 17 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.
27th row.—3 d c, 68 blks, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.
37th row.—3 d c, 68 blks, 6 sps, 2 blks, 6 sps, 2 blks, 1 sp, 3 blks,

4th row.—3 d c, 2 sps, 4 blks, 2 sps, 4 blks, repeat ending with 2 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.

5th row.—Same as 4th row.

6th row.—Same as 3rd row.

7th row.—Same as 2nd row. 8th row.—3 d c, 26 sps, 1 blk, 41 sps, 4 d c, ch 2. turn.

9th row.—3 d c, 3 sps, 2 blks, 35 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 2 blks, 17 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 4 d c, ch 2,

10th row.—3 d c, 2 sps, 4 blks, 12 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 5 blks, 2 sps, 1 blk, 34 sps, 4 blks, 2 sps, 4 d

sp, o biks, 2 sps, 1 bik, 0 s sps, 1 biks, 18 sps, 3 biks, 12 sps, 1 bik, 3 sps, 7 biks, 12 sps, 4 biks, 2 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.

12th row.—3 d c, 3 sps, 2 biks, 14 sps, 9 biks, 1 sp, 2 biks, 10 sps, 3 biks, 19 sps, 2 biks, 3 sps, 4 d c ch 2, turn.

1 sp, 2 blks, 10 sps, 3 blks, 19 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 4 dc, ch 2, turn.

13th row.—3 dc, 25 sps, 3 blks, 5 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 2 blks, 6 sps, 7 blks, 18 sps, 4 dc, ch 2, turn. 14th row.—3 dc, 18 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 5 blks, 6 sps, 7 blks, 2 sps, 1 blk, 27 sps, 4 dc, ch 2, turn. 15th row.—3 dc, 3 sps, 2 blks, 23 sps, 2 blks, 5 sps, 1 blk, 8 sps, 2 blks, 17 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 4 dc, ch 2, turn.

16th row.—3 dc, 2 sps, 4 blks, 20 sps, 3 blks, 1 sp, 2 blks, 8 sps, 1 blk, 21 sps, 4 blks, 2 sps, 4 dc, ch 2, turn.

17th row.—3 dc, 2 sps, 4 blks, 17 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, 11 sps, 5 blks, 19 sps, 4 blks, 2 sps, 4 dc, ch 2, turn.

sps, 1 blk, 11 sps, 5 blks, 15 sps, 2 blks, 20 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 2 blks, 9 sps, 2 blks, 20 sps, 2 blks, 9 sps, 2 blks, 2 sps, 1 blk, 17 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.

19th row.—3 d c, 21 sps, 2 blks, 2 sps, 1 blk, 10 sps, 2 blks, 1 sp, 1 blk, 1 sp, 2 blks, 25 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.

20th row.—3 d c, 25 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps, 2 blks, 4 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 4 blks, 20 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.

eps, 2 blks, 4 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 4 blks, 20 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.
21st row.—3 d c, 3 sps, 2 blks, 14 sps, 2 blks, 1 sp, 2 blks, 1 sp, 1 blk, 3 sps, 4 blks, 4 sps, 7 blks, 19 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.
22nd row.—3 d c, 2 sps, 4 blks, 19 sps, 1 blk, 9 sps, 3 blks, 3 sps, 3 blks, 1 sp, 3 blks, 14 sps, 4 blks, 2 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.
23rd row.—3 d c, 2 sps, 4 blks, 15 sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 2 blks, 30 sps, 4 blks, 2 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.

c, ch 2, turn. 24th row.—3 d c, 3 sps, 2 blks, 33 sps, 4 blks,

21 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.
25th row.—3 d c, 23 sps, 4 blks, 3 sps, 4 blks,
34 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.



FAIRY BLOCK EDGING.

26th row .- 3 d c, 29 sps, 5 blks, 8 sps, 2 blks, 24 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn. 27th row.—3 d c, 3 sps, 2 blks, 34 sps, 1 blk,

23 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 4 d c, cn 2, turn. 28th row.—3 d c, 2 sps, 4 blks, 22 sps, 1 blk, 33 sps, 4 blks, 2 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.

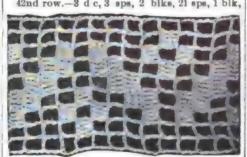
29th row.—3 d c, 2 sps. 4 blks, 24 sps. 2 blks, 1 sp. 1 blk, 2 sps. 2 blks, 2 sps. 1 blk, 4 sps. 2 blks, 1 sps. 2 blks, 2 sps. 4 blks, 2 sps. 4 d c, ch

2, turn.
30th row.—3 d c, 3 sps, 2 blks, 12 sps, 3 blks, 1
sp, 3 blks, 3 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 5 blks, 1 sp, 4 blks,
21 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.
31st row.—3 d c, 30 sps, 2 blks, 1 sp, 6 blks, 2
17th row.—1 blk, 10 sps, 2 blks, 9 sps, 13 blks,
1 sp, 1 blk, 8 sps, 1 blk, ch 2.

sp, 5 blks, 4 sps, 2 blks, 17 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.
37th row.—3 d c, 22 sps, 1 blk, 6 sps, 4 blks, 1 sp, 7 blks, 27 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.
38th row.—3 d c, 26 sps, 10 blks, 3 sps, 4 blks, 25 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.
39th row.—3 d c, 3 sps, 2 blks, 20 sps, 12 blks, 1 sp, 4 blks, 21 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.

40th row.—3 d c, 2 sps, 4 blks, 20 sps, 4 blks, 2 sps, 10 blks, 20 sps, 4 blks, 2 sps, 4 d c, ch 2,

turn.
41st row.—3 d c, 2 sps. 4 blks, 20 sps, 5 blks, 1
sp, 6 blks, 3 sps, 1 blk, 20 sps, 4 blks, 2 sps, 4 d
c, ch 2, turn.
42sd row.—2 d c, 3 sps, 2 blks, 21 sps, 1 blk,



PAIRY BLOCK INSERTION.

3 sps, 7 blks, 2 sps, 2 blks, 22 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps,

3 sps, 7 blks, 2 sps, 2 blks, 22 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.
43rd row.—3 d c, 31 sps, 3 blks, 1 sp, 2 blks, 3 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 2 blks, 22 sps, 4 d c, ch 2, turn.
44th row.—Beginning with this row one can now copy the pattern running through the center from the 10th row, while the motifs which form the border on either side can be repeated as heretofore.

To Finish the End

Work in this way until the work is as long as one desires then finish the end with one row of 11 motifs as on the other end following with two rows all spaces then 1 row of 1 bik, 11 sps, 1 bik, 56 sps, 1 bik, turn and beginning to narrow down for the pointed end work as follows: Bl st over double on end, ch 2, 2 d c in first sp, 1 d c on d c, 53 sps, 3 biks, 10 sps, 1 bik, turn, sl st over bik, ch 2.

2nd row.—1 bik, 9 sps, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 52 sps, 1 bik, ch 2, turn.

3rd row.—1 bik on bik, 52 sps, 3 biks, 9 sps, 1 bik on bik, sl st over bik, ch 2.

4th row.—1 bik, 10 sps, 2 biks, 50 sps, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 2 sps, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 2 sps, 1 bik, 2 sps, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 2 sps, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 2 sps, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 2 sps, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 2 sps, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 2 sps, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 2 sps, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 2 sps, 5 biks, 2 sps, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 2 sps, 2 biks, 9 sps, 5 Work in this way until the work is as long as one desires then finish the end with one

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bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 10 sps, 1 bik, sl st over bik, en 2, turn.

10th row.—1 bik, 10 sps, 1 bik, 6 sps, 8 biks, 21 sps, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 1 sp, 2 biks, 21 sps, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 1 sp, 2 biks, 2 sps, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 17 sps, 2 biks, 9 sps, 5 biks, 2 sps, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 2 sps, 1 bik, 9 sps, 1 bik, 2 turn.

12th row.—Bik on bik, 10 sps, 2 biks, 1 sp, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 1 sp, 1 bik, 7 sps, 8 biks, 19 sps, 1 bik, 1 st over bik, ch 2, turn.

13th row.—1 bik, 15 sps, 2 biks, 9 sps, 13 biks, 1 sp, 1 bik, 9 sps, 1 bik, sl st over bik, ch 2, turn.

14th row.—1 blk, 9 sps, 1 blk, 14 sps, 8 blks,

16 sps, 1 blk, ch 2.

15th row.—Blk on blk, 13 sps, 2 blks, 9 sps, 13 blks, 1 sp, 1 blk, 9 sps, 1 blk, sl st over blk,

25th row.-1 blk, 26 sps, 1 blk, 7 sps, 1 blk, si st over blk, ch 2. 26th row.—1 blk, 7 sps, 1 blk, 24 sps, 1 blk,

27th row.—Bik on blk, 24 sps, 1 blk, 7 sps, 1 blk, sl st over blk, ch 2.

28th row.—1 blk, 7 sps, 1 blk, 22 sps, 1 blk, sl st over blk, ch 2. 29th row.-1 blk, 21 sps, 1 blk, 6 sps, 1 blk,

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33rd row.—Blk on blk, 24 sps, 1 blk, ch 2.
34th row.—1 blk in each sp.
Finish the other end with the same flag design working into first ch of work.

Scallop Border

in corner opposite first row of work make 1 on corner opposite first row of work make i double treble crochet (thread over hook three times), ch 2, 1 d tr c in same st, repeat making 6 d tr c in ail, 1 s c in end of 3rd row, scallop of 6 d tr c in end of 5th row, 1 s c in end of 5th row, continue working this way along the side. In each corner of the scarf below the flag make double scallops of 12 d tr c, continue around double scallops of 12 d tr c, continue around

double scaliops of 12 d tr c, continue around to first scaliop.

2nd row.—2s c between each of the first two trebles, ch 5 for picot, 2 s c between each treble to point of next scaliop, 1 picot, repeat.

Fairy Block Lace Edging

Begin with ch 47 sts, turn.

1st row.—1 d c in 9th st from hook, 1 d c in each of next 3 sts (1 blk), ch 2, sk 2, 1 d c (1 sp), repeat making 6 more sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 blk, 1 sp, 2nd row.—1 d c on 9th st, 3 d c in next 3 sts, 1 sp, 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 blk, 8 sps, ch 5, turn.

3rd row.—1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 blk, ch 3, 1 d c in the next sp, ch 3, 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 blk, ch 12, turn.

4th row.—1 d c on 9th st, 3 d c in next 3 sts, 1 sp, 1 blk, ch 3, 1 s c under ch 3, 1 s c on d c, 1 s c under ch 3, ch 3, 1 blk, i sp, 1 blk, 1 sp, i blk, 1 sp, i blk, 6 sps, ch 5, turn.

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7th row.-2 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 2 blks, 2 sps, ch,

arn. 8th row.—3 sps, 2 biks, 4 sps, ch 5, turn. 9th row.—3 sps, 2 biks, 4 sps, ch 5, turn. 10th row.—2 sps, 1 bik, 2 sps, 2 biks, 2 sps, ch

5, turn. Repeat from first row for length desired.

Crocheting into Tape

An idea which will be appreciated by busy mothers who wish to have their children's clothes dainty, is passed on by a COMFORT sig-

Instead of crocheting directly into the edge of flannel skirts or other garments, work into a narrow tape, then when the garment is worn out the trimming can be transferred very easily, as often a well-made crocheted lace outwears a garment.



CROCHETING INTO TAPE.

The edging illustrated is made as follows:
Fasten thread to tape, ch 5, turn, shell 7 d c in 3rd st, al st to edge of tape, turn, ch 3, 1 s c in 4 d c, ch 3, turn, 7 d c in last st, ch 3, 1 sl st in tape, repeat.

Deeper edging can be made in the same way.

Pillow Top or Tidy in Filet Crochet

Materials, No. 20 mercerized crochet cotton, No. 10 steel crochet book. Begin with ch 246 sts, turn.
1st row.—1 d c in 9th st from hook, ch 2, sk

2, repeat making 80 sps in all, ch 6, turn.

2nd row.—1 d c on d c, 2 d c under ch 2, 1 d c on d c, 2 d c under ch 2, 1 d c on d c, 2 d c under ch 2, 1 d c on d c, repeat across working thus over 78 sps and inishing with 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

3rd row.—1 blk of 4 d c on 4 d c, 70 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

turn.
4th and 5th rows.—Same

turn.

4th and 5th rows.—Same
as 3rd.
6th row.—1 blk on blk, 9
apa, 7 blks, 2 sps, 3 blks, 2
sps, 5 blks, 3 sps, 6 blks, 3
sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps,
3 blks, 6 sps, 3 blks, 12 sps, 1
blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

7th row.—1 blk, 13 sps, 1
blk, 10 sps, 1 blk, 6 sps, 1
blk, 10 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, 4
sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, 4
sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1
blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 9 sps, 1
blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 9 sps, 1
blk, 9 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 7
sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, 6
sps, 1 blk, 13 sps, 1 blk, 6
sps, 1 blk, 10 sps, 1 blk, 13 sps, 1
blk, 10 sps, 1 blk, 13 sps, 1
blk, 10 sps, 1 blk, 6 sps, 1
blk, 4 sps, 1 blk, 7 sps, 1 blk, 2
sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 1 blk, 3
sps, 1 blk, 9 sps, 1 blk, 9
sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 1 blk, 3
sps, 1 blk, 9 sps, 1
blk, 9 sps, 1 blk, 3
sps, 1 blk, 9 sps, 1
blk, 9 sps, 1 blk, 9 sps, 1
blk, 3 sps, 5
blks, 3 sps, 5 blks, 3 sps, 5
blks, 7 sps, 1 blk, 10 sps, 1
blk, 13 sps, 1 blk, 13 sps, 1
blk, 13 sps, 1 blk, 13 sps, 1
blk, 13 sps, 1 blk, 15 sp, ch 5,
turn.

11th row.—1 blk, 12 sps, 1

11th row.-1 blk, 12 aps, 1

The row.—1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 blk, ch 6, 1 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, 9 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 9 sps, 1

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Deep Point Lace

AKE a ch of 22 sts, turn.

1st row.—1 d c in the 7th, 8th and
9th sts from hook, ch 4, sk 3 sts, 3 d
c in next 3 sts, ch 4 3 d c in the next
3 sts, ch 4, 3 d c in the next 3 sts, ch

2nd row.—3 d c on ch 4, ch 4, 3 d c on the next 3 d c, ch 4, 3 d c on the next ch 4, 1 d c in the top of the 3 d c on first row. This makes the edge. Ch 5, turn.

3rd row.—3 d c on ch 4, ch 4, 3 d c on top of



DEEP POINT LACE.

the next 3 à c, ch 4, 3 d c on ch 4, ch 7, turn.
4th row.—3 d c on ch 4, ch 4, 3 d c on top of 3 d c, ch 4, 3 d c on ch 4, 1 d c in top of last row,

d c, ch 4, 3 d c on ch 4, 1 d c in top of last row, ch 5, turn.

5th row.—3 d c on ch 4, ch 4, 3 d c on top of the next 3 d c, ch 4, 3 d c on ch 4, ch 6, sl st to ch 7, ch 17, sl st on the 7 ch, ch 6, sl st to n the next 7 ch, ch 1, 8, h d c on ch 6, 15 h d c on ch 17, 8 h d c on the next ch 6, ch 9 sl st to the side of 17th ch that has been filled with h d c, ch 9 1 d c in top of ch 17, ch 9, sl st to the other side of ch 17, ch 9 sl st to 1st of ch 6, ch 2, 3 d c on ch 9, 1 picot on the 3 d c, fill these chains with d c, making 1 picot on every 3 d c. This completes one scallop, 3 d c on ch 4, ch 4 3 d c on top of 3 d c, ch 4, 3 d c on ch 4, 1 d c on top of last row, ch 5, turn, proceed as before.

To make the lace hang smoother, join the first scallop to the second with a sl st.

Mrs. Fannie Baldwin.

Knitted Insertion

With No. 70 cotton, No. 17 steel knitting needles cast on 48 sts. Knit across plain.

1st row.—K 3, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 32, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 3.

2nd row.—K 4, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o twice, p 2 tog, k 26, o twice, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 2, 3rd row.—K 3, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 3, 4th row.—K 4, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 3, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 3, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 3, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 3, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o twice, k 22, o twice, p 2 tog, k 2, o twice, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o twice, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 2, o twice, p 2 tog, k 1, o twice, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 2, o twice, p 2 tog, t 2, o twice, p 2 tog, t 2, o twice, p 2 t

tog, k 1, o twice, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 2, 7th row.—K 3, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 2, p 1, k 3, p 1, k 25, p 1, k 3, p 1, k 2, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 3. 8th row.—K 4, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 39, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 2. 9th row.—K 3, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 39, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 3. 10th row.—K 4, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o twice, p 2 tog, k 2, o twice, p 2 tog, k 2, o twice, p 2 tog, k 1, o twice, p 2 tog, k 2, o twice, p 2 tog, k 1, o twice, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 2, o twice, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 2, p 1, k 3, p 1, k 3, p 1, k 22, p 1, k 3, p 1, k 4, p 1, k 2, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 1.



ENITTED INSERTION.

14, p 17. Knit loosely so as to make large stitches. K 14, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 2. 13th row.—K 3, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog, k 13, o, p 17 tog, o, k 15, o, p 2 tog, k 1, o, p 2 tog,

Repeat pattern from first row. This lacy pattern I learned from my mother 60 years ago. MRS. L. FLECKENSTEIN.

Pillow Top or Tidy in Filet Crochet

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blk, 9 sps, 1 blk, 9 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

14th row.—1 blk, 8 sps, 3 blks, 7 sps, 3 blks, 2
sps, 5 blks, 3 sps, 6 blks, 2 sps, 5 blks, 3 sps, 9
blks, 2 sps, 1 blk, 7 sps, 1 blk, 9 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp,
ch 5, turn.

15th and 16th rows.—Same as 3rd row.
17th, 18th and 19th rows.—1 blk, 36 sps, 4
blks, 36 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

20th and 21st rows.—1 blk, 35 sps, 6 blks, 35
sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

zuth and Zist rows.—1 bik, 35 sps, 6 blks, 35 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

22nd row.—Same as 19th row.

23rd row.—1 blk, 21 sps, 15 blks, 1 sp, 18 blks, 21 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

24th row.—1 blk, 15 sps, 6 blks, 17 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 blk, 14 sps, 2 blks, 19 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

25th row.—1 blk, 17 sps, 2 blks, 2 sps, 16 blks, 19 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

25th row.—1 blk, 17 sps, 2 blks, 2 sps, 16 blks, 1 sp, 17 blks, 4 sps, 2 blks, 15 sps, ch 5, turn. 26th row.—1 blk, 15 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 21 blks, 1 sp, 18 blks, 2 sps, 1 blk, 16 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5,

27th row.—1 blk, 15 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 21 blks, 1 sp, 21 blks, 1 sp, 21 blks, 16 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

28th row.—1 blk, 17 sps, 20 blks, 1 sp, 22 blks, 16 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.
29th row.—1 blk, 17 sps, 7 blks, 14 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 blk, 12 sps, 5 blks, 18 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5 turn.

30th row.—1 blk, 19 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 13 blks, sp, 15 blks, 3 sps, 3 blks, 18 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5. turn.

1 sp, 15 blks, 3 sps, 3 blks, 18 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

31st row.—1 blk, 19 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 18 blks, 1 sp, 16 blks, 20 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

32nd row.—1 blk, 21 sps, 14 blks, 1 sp, 20 blks, 20 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

33rd row.—1 blk, 21 sps, 19 blks, 1 sp, 13 blks, 22 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

34th row.—1 blk, 22 sps, 12 blks, 1 sp, 19 blks, 22 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

35th row.—1 blk, 23 sps, 18 blks, 1 sp, 11 blks, 23 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

36th row.—1 blk, 23 sps, 11 blks, 1 sp, 18 blks, 23 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

37th row.—1 blk, 23 sps, 10 blks, 1 sp, 10 blks, 23 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

37th row.—1 blk, 24 sps, 18 blks, 1 sp, 10 blks, 23 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

38th row.—1 blk, 24 sps, 18 blks, 1 sp, 18 blks, 24 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

39th row.—1 blk, 24 sps, 18 blks, 1 sp, 17 blks, 25 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

40th row.—1 blk, 24 sps, 9 blks, 1 sp, 17 blks, 25 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

41st row.—Same as last row only in reverse order.

43rd row.—Same as last row only in reverse order.

43rd row.—Same as 41st row.

43rd row.—Same as 41st row.
44th row.—Same as 42nd row.
45th row.—1 blk, 25 sps, 16 blks, 1 sp, 9 blks,
25 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.
46th row.—Same as 45th row.
47th row.—1 blk, 25 sps, 14 blks, 2 sps, 10 blks,
25 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.
48th row.—1 blk, 25 sps, 12 blks, 2 sps, 12
blks, 25 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

turn.
70th and 71st rows.—Same as last row. 72nd row.—8 biks, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.
73rd row.—80 sps. Finish by working 3 sc in each sp and 9 sc in each corner sp.
BERTHA GILBERT.

New Bibs for Baby

Fashions even effect such little things as baby's bibs, and this being so, the small ones which required pinning to keep in position have given place to an improved style.

This new model is either pointed or rounded and then either side of the front a band extends around the body, under the arms, and fastens in the back.

fastens in the back.

Sheer linen or batiste lace trimmed and made up over a cotton, padded usder bib, or heavier linen or pique may be used.

Large Knitted Doily

BY MRS. ANNIE OSGOOD.

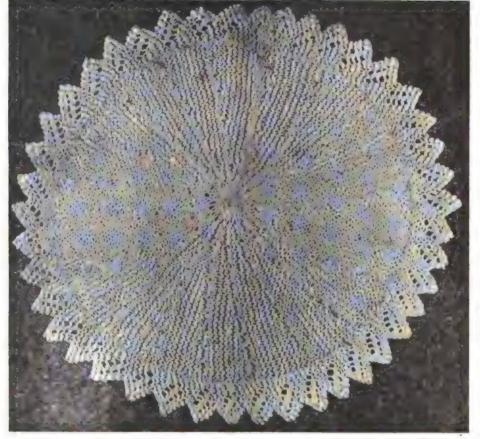
This mat is made in twenty sections or gores. Use No. 12 knitting cotton and No. 16 steel

Cast on 31 stitches.

Cast on 31 stitches.

1st rib.—K 4, turn, k back.
2nd rib.—K 7, turn, k back.
3rd rib.—K 10, turn, k back.
Continue in this way adding three stitches to each rib until but three of the original stitches remain; knit these and then purl back.

Repeat from the beginning until there are 20 gores. Bind off and sew together.



LARGE KNITTED DOILY.

49th row.—1 blk, 25 sps, 1 blk, 6 sps, 16 blks, 1 sp, 1 blk, 26 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.
50th row.—1 blk, 26 sps, 2 blks, 16 sps, 7 blks, 25 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.
51st row.—1 blk, 25 sps, 25 blks, 26 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.
52nd row.—1 blk, 26 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 18 blks, 4 sps, 1 blk, 25 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.
53rd row.—1 blk, 25 sps, 5 blks, 18 sps, 2 blks, 26 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.
54th row.—1 blk, 26 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 18 blks, 3 sps, 1 blk, 26 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 18 blks, 3 sps, 1 blk, 26 sps, 4 blks, 18 sps, 2 blks, 26 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.
55th row.—1 blk, 26 sps, 4 blks, 18 sps, 2 blks, 26 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.
56th row.—1 blk, 27 sps, 22 blks, 27 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.
57th row.—1 blk, 28 sps, 2 blks, 16 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.
58th row.—1 blk, 30 sps, 16 blks, 30 sps, 1 blk. 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

osth row.—1 blk, 30 sps, 16 blks, 30 sps, 1 blk.
1 sp, ch 5, turn.
59th row.—1 blk, 32 sps, 1 blk, 10 sps, 1 blk,
32 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.
60th row.—1 blk, 32 sps, 4 blks, 1 sp, 1 blk, 1
sp, 1 blk, 1 sp, 3 blks, 32 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

61st row.—1 blk, 31 sps, 4 blks, 3 sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 1 blk, 32 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.
62nd row.—1 blk, 4 sps, 3 blks, 2 sps, 3 blks, 4 sps, 3 blks, 5 sps, 3 blks, 4 sps, 4 blks, 2 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 6 blks, 3 sps, 3 blks, 3 sps, 2 blks, 5 sps, 3 blks, 5 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

sps, 3 blks, 3 sps, 3 blks, 6 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

63rd row.—1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 6 blks, 1 sp, 1 blk, 1 sp, 5 blks, 3 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 6 sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 6 sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

64th row.—1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 5 blks, 5 sps, 1 blk, 6 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 5 blks, 5 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps, 5 blks, 1 sp, 2 blks, 4 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps, 5 blks, 1 sp, 6 blks, 5 sps, 2 blks, 1 sp, 1 blk, 4 sps, 1 blk, 5 sps, 5 blks, 1 sp, 6 blks, 5 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 bl

Narrow Point Edging

Cast on five stitches. Cast on five stitches.

Knit across plain.

1st row.—K 2, 0, k 1, 0, k 2.

2nd row.—K across plain.

3rd row.—K 3, 0, k 2 together, 0, k 2.

4th, 5th and 6th rows.—K plain.

7th row.—K 4, 0, k 2 together 0, k 2.

8th and 9th rows.—K plain.

10th row.—Bind off 5 sts, k 4, sew on around edges of mat.

Knitted Wool Mitten

(Fige. or Six-Year Size)

Cast on 20 stitches, using either split zephyr or twofold Saxony, on each of three No. 12 steel needles.

Knit one round plain. Next 20 rounds k 2, p 2.

To Begin Thum!

K 5, p 1, k 2, p 1, k 2, p 1 and knit plain balance of round.

Throw thread over to widen at the right of

the first puried stitch and the left of the last puried stitch in each round, until one has 18 stitches be-

stitch in each round, until
one has 18 stitches between the two puried sts.
To form the gusset, cast
5 stitches on the righthand needle, knit one
round plain, narrow once
in center of 5 sts for three
rounds. Knit 23 rounds
plain, K 7, narrow, repeat
all around. K 5, narrow,
repeat around. Knit 3
rounds plain, k 4, narrow, repeat around. Knit 3
rounds plain, k 4, narrow, repeat around. K 2,
narrow, repeat around. K
Asrrow twice on each
needle till but 2 sts are
left on each. Bind off.
Draw end through to the wrong side and
secure it by a few stitches with needle and
thread.

68th row.—1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 5 blks, 2 cast-on sts, narrow once on these 5 sts in every sps, 5 blks, 3 sps, 2 blks, 23 sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 3 blks, 5 sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 3 blks, 6 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

69th row.—1 blk, 76 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, ch 5, turn.

70th and 71st rows.—Same as last row.

1 cast-on sts, narrow once on these 5 sts in every round until but 3 sts remain.

1 Divide stiches, having 7 on each needle. Knit 12 rounds plain. Narrow in center of each needle, every other round, until but 4 stitches remain on each needle, then narrow twice and bind off the 2 stitches on each needle. Finish on wrong side sceneraly.

1 Mrs. Drennan. side securely. MRS. DRENNAN.

Tatted Edging

3 d s, p, 2 d s, p, repeat 7 times, 3 d s, close. Ch 6 d s, p, 5 d s. Ring 5 d s, join to 7th p of



TATTED EDGING.

last ring, 9 d s, p, 5 d s, close. Ch 5 d s, p, 6 d s, another ring 3 d s p, 2 d s, p, repeat 7 times, 3 d s, close, repeat to length desired.

Sleeping Socks

For loose socks which will reach half way up to the calf of the leg, one will need two ounces of Shetland floss and a medium bone

ounces of Shetland floss and a medium bone needle.

Make 44 chain and work 44 double crochet into it. Turn, and work double crochet into the other side of the chain stitches. Join neatly, then work double crochet around, taking up only the top portion of each stitch throughout. Work 17 rows in all.

In the 18th row turn back after the 22nd double crochet, and with one chain at each turning work 12 rows to and fro on these 22. Turn wrong side out and, putting the two corners of this piece together, connect the two sides with a row of double crochet.

Break off the thread and join to the center of the heel—that is, to the connecting stitches—and work a row of double crochet down the side of the heel into each double crochet across the front and up the other side; continue

the front and up the other side; continue working around and decrease one in each second round at the corner between heel and front until the stitches are reduced to 38.

Work 10 rows of 38 double crochet in each; then, making 18 for the back and 15 for the front, narrow stitch between by taking it up with the 18th and working the two loops as

Decrease in the same place in every second row for 10 rows; then, placing the two edges together, connect with a row of double crochet

on the wrong side, rounding off the corners.

Fasten the thread to the joining at the top of the sock, make one double crochet, miss one double crochet on the edge, and put *6 treble into the next, miss 1, 1 double crochet into the next, miss 1, and repeat from *.

These nocks are not meant to fit exactly: the These socks are not meant to fit exactly; the directions here given are for about a four or five foot. If yours is very small or very large,

Quilt Block in Basket of Flowers Design

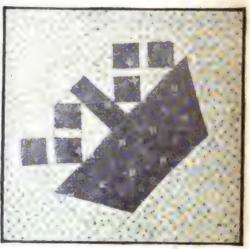
measure accordingly.

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For the basket and flowers any color may be used but will look more natural if tan is used for the basket and different colors for the squares representing the flowers, not more than two being the same color, or each one may be different, one pink, one blue, yellow, red, lavender, etc. Before piecing, the basket measures eleven inches long at upper edge, five and three-fourths at lower edge, and four inches wide; the handle three inches long and one and one-half inches wide.

The pieces for flowers one and three-fourths inches square, the narrow pieces between flowers not quite seven-eighths inches wide, and there are three sizes of half squares besides the large one at each corner.

The light piece at each end of the basket is four and one-half inches long on the straight



QUILT BLOCK IN BASKET OF FLOWER DESIGN.

edge and two and three-fourths inches wide at lower edge.

The piecing is all straight seams, no corners

Instructions for Stockinette Stitch

In center of 5 sts for three rounds. Knit 23 rounds plain, K7, narrow, repeat around. Knit 3 rounds plain, k 4, narrow, repeat around. Knit 3 rounds plain, k 3, narrow, repeat around. Knit 3 rounds plain, k 3, narrow, repeat around. Knit 3 rounds plain, k 4, narrow, repeat around. Knit 3 rounds plain, k 3, narrow, repeat around. Knit 3 rounds plain, k 4, narrow, repeat around. Knit 3 rounds plain, k 4, narrow, repeat around. Knit 3 rounds plain, k 4, narrow, repeat around. Knit 3 rounds plain, k 4, narrow, repeat around. Knit 3 rounds plain, k 4, narrow, repeat around. Knit 5 row, repeat around. Knit 5 row, repeat around. Knit 5 row, repeat around. Narrow twice on each left on each lef

Why We Celebrate New Year's Day

By C. L. Cheever

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HERE did our holidays come from?" so many ask. That depends; we all know how the celebration of July 4th came about and how old Thanksgiving Day is; we unsof Washington and Lincoln and why we keep Memorial Day. But these are all American holidays—what about this one that is just at hand and that is celebrated all over the world, New Year's Day?

of Washington and Lincoln and why we keep Memorial Day. But these are all American hold days—what about this one that is just at hand and that is celebrated all over the world, New Year's Day?

We shall have to go back a long way to find the beginning of this day, and we will start with a man, Martin by name, who lived at least 1600 years ago. He was a bishop of the Christian church—that was a new thing in the year 316—and it is said that he worked miracles and did other wonderful things, and suffered much for the sake of the new religion, so that afterward the Roman church set apart a day, a sain's day, on November 11, in wheth his memory was to be honored, and called it Martinmas. One of the sweetest legends of those old days is the story of St. Martin and the beggar. The bishop was riding along and a beggar asked aims of him. Noticing how cold the man was and how poorly of St. Martin and the begar is the saint tore his cloak in two and gave him half of it. The next night there was a riding along and a beggar asked aims of him. Noticing how cold the man was and how poorly ching the story of the saint and the beggar to a group of angels.

St. Martin was very dear to the Germans and they decided to make his feast day, which you remember was Nov. 11, a day in which to celebrate the birth of the New Year. That arrangement was appropriate enough, for the Germans, like other early peoples, divided their year into two seasons, winter and summer. The winter season began in November, when the ground was barren and frozen and they were compelled to drive cattle and sheep to shelter because the pasture was all gone. At this time of year they changed their whole mode of living; they descreted the fields and gathered around their own firesides, and there were all sorts of festivities and amusements. Other nations looking on, adopted the idea of making the winter season the celebration of the day became popular in Gaul and Britain.

Meanwhile, down in Rome they had made a calendar which placed January first at the beginnin

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of Miles Standish, Cotton Mather, etc., from their old homes. New England is rapidly becoming New Ireland, but the Irishman does not have it all his own way, for there are more Greekin Lowell than there are in Corinth (Greece, not Mississippi, if you please), and the factory hands of the latter city and of Lawrence are almost entirely foreigners, who will hike for home, as is customary with these peoples of eastern Europe, as soon as they have made their pile. It is hard to determine just where the banama beit begins or ends, but, oh joy! the spooney belt and the love and romance belt start right at the Mason and Dixon line, and, Mary, you have evidently got that belt tightly clasped around you. I am strong for belte, but I strenuously object to getting my hands all tangled up in a jungle of pins, and I never knew a safetypin that did not have its business and waiting ready to jab a fellow. Of course all real girls like boys and all real boys like girls, but the girl that's boy crasy and the boy that's girl crazy are both abnormal types, and if you sonly knew what a terrible amount of misery, crime and wretchedness these two types cause themselses and society when their wild emotions carry them into paths of danger, a lot of you beardless boys and half-fledged broilers would put the brakes down hard before it is too late. Kiss and bilss are synonymous. Old Dame Nature attended to that, for if there had been no kisses there would have been no misses, and without the strand of the proper would be the strand only the animals would occupy (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 9.) and bilss are synonymous. Old Dame Nature attended to that, for if there had been no kisses there would have been no misses, and without sex attraction only the animals would occupy this world. If young ladies, however, make their lips a slobbering board for every man that comes along, and do not keep those lips chaste, clean and pure for the one man who will regard them as the shrine of his heart's desire and who for life will stand guard over those ruby portals, then we shall all become akin to the animals and the world will be nothing but a jungle. We have been drifting in that direction for the last few years at a terrible pace and it is time-someone called a halt. Ask the gentleman to produce an engagement ring before he kisses you the next time. It seems to me that he cannot hold you in very high regard or he would at least go home, clean up and put on his Sunday best when he calls on you. If the poor man is suffered anything but overalls and a flannel shirt that's all cotton, we'll pass the hat to get him a suit and will throw in the hat as well. I suppose a professional swimmer is the only gentleman who would be prohibited from calling on his heart's adored in his working clothes. Whether or not he loves you I don't know, but if he does not think enough of you to doll up and make a decent, clean, wholesome appearance, I don't think he respects you, or at least he thinks you are easy and holds you cheap. Love without respect is not love but something to be ignored and abhorred. Keep away from it.

Dear Uncle Charge:

Uncle, I have always loved you from the depths of my heart and am tickled to bits with the way you loss our enemies within and without. I'm glad you didn't go to France. We had plenty of men that could shoot and use a bayonst but no other could use

a pen as you have done. You put over a barrage and went over the top here in America as well as the best of us ever did in France. It was just as necessary to fight our enemies in the rear as in the front and you were the one who knew how to do it and who did it. I was on the front almost two months without a rest and in the thickest fighting at Dead Man's Hill and Montfaucon and through the Argonne Forest and across the Meuse River on Nov. 10, and heard the last shots fired at 11 o'clock on Nov. 11, the day the armistice was signed. Was in the 80th Division heavy field artillery. Am 27 years of age, still single, love fun and sport, teach in our Sunday school and received a diploma three years ago. Have traveled over most of France and a small part of Belgium. Much love to you and all the cousins.

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EDWARD H LAWSON.

Thank you, Edward, for your lovely and most complimentary letter. Glad you appreciate the work I have tried to do in fighting Huns, slackers, whining pacifists, crack-brained dreamers, at reacherous aliens who camouflage as socialists but were Kaiser cuddlers to a maa, and all the recent of a nation, call for protection when in trouble, assume all, the rights of citizenship, but refuse to bear any of its responsibilities. It has been a hard and terrible fight for me this last five years and it has sapped what little strength I had and left me pretty much of a wreck, but as long as I can wield a pen I shall do my best to keep the fires of patriotism burning and prevent our people so far as possible from being infected to the fires of patriotism burning and prevent our people so far as possible from being infected to the solution of the pretty much of a wreck, but as long as I can wield a pen I shall do my best to keep the fires of patriotism burning and prevent our people so far as possible from being infected to the world and which, if we are not careful, will make vain all the sacrifices of blood and treasure offered up in this great world war, and enable the Hun to get on top again. There are racial groups among us, who are frantically striving to arouse hate and drive a wedge between truly Americanized and if at any time when we had an advanced to the present of the pres

chiefly to the Irish element among the voters and to voters of German and Austrian extraction." If we are ever to have a country that is not a grade higher than that which we find in a monkey and parrot cage where national elements are ever at war with other national elements are ever at war with other national elements, every man who runs for office should be immediately thrown into the discard if he appeals to his constituents on any other grounds than that of pure Americanism. As we have a million and a half foreign born residents in this city, you can see the menace that lies in these racial appeals. I hoped the cement of partiotism would, as a result of our late struggle for existence, bind us all together in one indissoluble whole. But, alas, it seems it is not to be, unless splendid boys of your type, Ed., set your foot down hard, keep men out of office who are tainted with the least suspicion of pandering to the undigested allen groups who are such a menace to our existence, all of whom haye axes to grind and not one of which, as a rule, is to be used for a strictly American purpose. If a man can't get into office without ridling in on a Sinn Fein, Hun or Austro-Hun back, then for heaven's sake keep him out.

Dear Uncle Charles:

Few people live in this part of the country. There are large ranches and some small farms or homesteads as we call them. My family owns about 2,300 acres of land. We live in the hills close to some small mountains. Am fourteen years old, have brown hair and blue eyes, five feet four inches tall, weigh one husdred pounds. This is a healthy place to live. In the five years we have been here I have only been in bed twice and that was when we had influenza. Our nearest town, Gliette, is twenty miles away. We have nearest town, Gliette, is twenty miles away. We have nearest town, Gliette, is twenty miles away. We have nearest town, Gliette, is twenty miles away. We have some small schoolhouse and eleven scholars. I'm the old from the first of the first that is see are cowboys. There is a big ranch, close to here where they have twenty thousands head of cattle and some horses. My sister and I do all the riding. You ought to see the vast numbers of longhorn white-faced cattle that roam the hills and pains out here. There has never been a death in our family, which consists of seven girls, three boys and our parents. People who love excitement and galety don't like it out here, though the people are the joliest and best natured I have ever met, and why shouldn't they be, their money comes and goes easy. It is dry out here but my father and some others it is dry out here but my father and some others it is dry out here but my father and some others it is dry out here but my father and some others it is dry out here but my father and some others it is dry out here but my father and some others it is dry out here but my father and some others it is dry out here but my father and some others it is dry out here but my father and some others it is dry out here but my father and some others it is dry out here but my father and some others it is dry out here but my father and some others it is dry out here but my father and some others it is an hearly out in from any one father and some others in the fathe

live, and when my weary brain cries out for something inspiring and refreshing, I think often of the Teton Mountains, like cathedral spires towering into the heavens. Glorious Teddy Rooselvelt, God rest his soul, knew the joy of living in a country like yours, and so do I, but idiotic, crazy people prefer a miserable existence in the dirty city slums to a real life among the plains and the mountains. Healthy as Adon is, I would strongly suggest, Chloe, that you take a little more rest than you are getting. A young lady who has only been in bed twice in five years will surely ruin her health if she does not watch out. Something is radically wrong when a young lady only goes to bed twice in five years. Is the trouble with you or the bed? Now you see with me it is the other way about, I've only been out of bed twice in twenty-three years. I can't stand up, and from your letter it would seem that you can't lie down. It is a sad state of affairs for both of us and I don't know which is in the worst fix. You say your sister and you do all the riding. From that I infer that the cowboys have to walk. That is pretty tough on the cowboys. A cowboy without a horse is almost as bad as a saloon without booze. You say that it is dry out in your vicinity but that your father and some others irrigate. Irrigation ceased on July the first, so I guess it will be a case of the old oaken bucket and the water wagon from now on for those who live in the U. S. A. Once, more, Chloe, thank you for your most interesting letter.



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Thank you, Mrs. Kelley, for your note which reached me on my birthday and touched me deeply, as did hundreds of others that came to me on that momentous occasion. Just when I feel that life is not worth the living, that humanity in the mass is not worth fighting for, that it is sordid, horrid, ugly, brutal, greedy, vile and contemptible, then along comes a letter like yours, and my heart and soul are refreshed and I know that there is a little leaven of love, goodness, purity and sweetness that will in God's good time leaven the whole lump of wiggling, squirming, fighting, snarling, biting, inhuman beans, and make them decent members of society. But you can't bank on anything just now, for the late war was the biggest upset the world has ever known, and though God was with us and saw that right triumphed over might, I should not wonder if in view of what has happened since the armistice was signed, that He had turned His face from the world in disgust. With a sick world we could deal, but the sickness the world is suffering from today, is a thousand times more dangerous than the flu or any other epidemic we ever had, for today the world is one big bughouse of clawing, grabbing, bloodthirsty lunatics, madmes, schemers and agitators. To deal with a condition of this kind is far more perilous than fighting Kaiserism. Kaiserism, like a skin disease merely afflicted us from without. The madness that is now raging is of a different type and is rending us within, tearing at our very vitals. If we could take these millions of madnen, put them in straitjackets, give them sixty grains of bromide, tie a chunk of ice on their heads and send them into dreamland and keep them asleep until war hysteria and the mania of greed, bate and lust for power had worn off, then we'd have a dear old peaceful world once more. A free press and free speech are the fundamentals of liberty and are guaranteed by our constitution, but the best government and the finest institutions in the world can never stand up against a lot of dirty, filthy

article they never use), inflaming the passions of the credulous and filling the minds of honest, decent workers with ideas which will mean the destruction of everything humanity has tried to build from the time when men lived in caves and trees tens of centuries ago. They are determined to tear our government and institutions to pieces, bring about a bloody revolution, fill our land with plague, famine and disease, lust and devilishness and convert it into a shambles. I know what honest agitation is for I have been an agitator and a soap boxer myself, but the ideas and ideals which I and those who associated with me advocated, Christ Himself could have endorsed, and they would never have harmed the hair of even a Rockefeller's head. The ideas, however, that are being spread abroad today are those that will bring death and starvation to the decent, honest, God-fearing people of our land and put all of us who are not insane under the domination of hordes of thugs, criminals and hoodlums. Burn these reptile sheets, send the agitators to Russia or to jail. Hiang a few of the worst of these vermin and let Ole Hanson do the job, for he seems to be the only man in the country who has a backbone, and we will have peace. Once more, Mrs. Kelley, I thank you, and if Mr. Kelley has no objections, I'm returning the love you sent me with interest.

GRAND JUNCTION, R. R. 1. MICH. A GIRL'S LAMENT.

Although I am a woman, for housework I don't care, I hate to wash the dishes, but I'd love to kill a bear. I'd love to sally forth and hunt the jungle through For lions, tigers, bears and things, but I'd hate to make beef stew.

I envy boys their freedom to go sailing o'er the sea, If I could travel o'er the deep, I'd shout and sing with giee.

But girls must sew and mend and bake, and hunt for brother's things,

For "Sister" every time is blamed when hammer and fish hooks take wings.

But when the bill collector comes and says a payment's due,

I'm reconciled to wearing skirts when father looks so blue.

the Kaiser had had as keen a sense of humor as you have, he would have seen what a lot of rot all this military goose stepping was and there would have been no war. I don't, however, approve of your desire to go out and in the name of sport kill everything that comes in your path. You don't love to wash dishes, and for that matter few people do, and I suggest that instead of going out and killing a bear, you go out and kill the man who invented dishes. He has made more trouble for housewives and their daughters than any man since the beginning of time. You say you hate to make beef stew, why not make kidney stew instead—that may come easier. You say if you could travel o'er the deep, you would shout and sing with glee. Now as a matter of fact you would be the sickest girl on earth and you'd be either leaning over the rail feeding the fishes or lying in your bunk yelling for the steward to bring you the basin. If you don't like sewing and mending, I advise you to join a clotheless tribe of unclad Africans in the heart of the Dark Continent. But even there you could not escape the cooking infliction, for in that nice, hot, thousand-degrees-in-the-shade climate you'd bake all right. If brother has been to France and in the trenches, he has doubtless had to do so much hunting for cooties that he is by now a professional hunter, and when the hammers and fish-hooks become aviators and take wings and fly, you won't be called on to do the sky pilot act and chase after them. I'm glad you realize that papas, who are generally regarded as a necessary evil, tolerated only because there is no legal way to dispose of them, are handy pieces of domestic furniture to have around when the bills have to be paid. In these days of high prices I don't wonder that papa looks blue when he is paying the bills, but if father's color scheme does not appeal to you on these painful occasions, you can easily remedy it by daubing him all over with a de Valera Sinn Fein coat of Irish green. If you do that you will always have a greenback in t

AVERY, IOWA.

blue.

DEAR UNCLE CHARLIE:
I notice you are very severe on the Bolsheviks in Russia, and I write to set you straight on them.

Grace, you are both a poet and a philosopher and you have a keen sense of humor. That is what the Kaiser and the German people lack, and that is what makes them so dangerous. If would have railed against it just as much as you do

now against the Russian revolution, but it is conceed that the French Revolution was a good thing for Burgen. New hare to have a thorough-going revolution in order to make any effective change in a country and Russia needs it now as France did, and you can't have revolutions that will amount to anything unless there is more or less bloodshed. You get changes and the poor have a chance to come into their own and perhaps get a piece of land as it is impossible now. The radical socialists in this country won't be happy until they have tried out their theories in practice. Have Uncle Sam set some large tracts of land aside and induce a lot of the most radical to settle on it and try themselves out. Let him furnish him with some means to carry out their theories in practice. I believe it would be better than to jail them as you advocate.

Axel, a little knowledge and superficial thinking are dangerous things. Sorry, but you are affilted with both. You say "there is no use to go to extremes," and then you contradict yourself by saying "you can't have revolutions that will amount to anything without bloodshed." If that's the case, suppose we start the bloodshed on you. That would knock some of the red rubbish out of your head. I note you publish a little sheet called "The Avery Boomer," and that you are boosting capitalist enterprises, so that puts you in the bourgeois or middle class which the Bolsheviki intend to wipe out. Axel, you are doomed and I will write your epitaph: "Here lies a chump who was killed by his own theories." There was no need to go to extremes in Russia. Russia had a free hand and all the world wished her well. She had only to finish her work of helping the Allies to lick the Central Powers, and then if she had wanted a republic or even a liberal constitutional monarchy (which is about all she can handle for a generation, for what she needs is sospiets and not soviets), the world would have watched her experiment with interest and have rendered every assistance. But she preferred the poison of Lenine and Trotzky and spurned the reason of Kerensky. Like curs, the Russians turned their backs on their friends while the red fiends dispersed the Constituent Assembly which the people had elected, and started a reign of terror. The poison of the German agents, Lenine and Trotzky, did its work. The soldiers deserted the firing line and rushed home to rob and plunder not only the big estates which would in time have been divided up, but to rob and kill their more propaperous neighbors. Then the dictators let the German hordes in and stole every dollar they could get

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Mrs. Parlette.—A letter such as yours should put to shame the sisters and brothers who are more able, physically and financially, to help Uncle Charlie than you and your afflicted husband are. He will appreciate your generous donation all the more because of the spirit is which it is made.—Ed.

MASS, MICH.

Tap! Tap! Tap!

Dare I hope I heard "Come in?" I knocked very timidly because I tried once before and was denied admittance but try again is my motto.

God bless you, Verne Ellis, for once more taking up Uncle Charlie's, Hôme Fund for discussion and reminding us of our duty to him whom we, as one, profess to love and admire. Sisters, wake up! How do you know that tomorrow will be just as good a day to send your money? Do it now. Just think, we were able to buy Liberty Bonds and War Saving Stamps and there was no great difficulty about it but because this calls for a dime or a little more (dollars if you can spare them), we allow it to go on, thinking one dime won't be missed or won't swell the fund any. Now sisters, and brothers, suppose we had thought that our Liberty Bond or Thrift Stamp wasn't going to win the war? Where would we be now? I'd tell you if you didn't know but every Comfort reader knows. Uncle Charlie has done his best that we should know. Really I don't believe there is another paper published that is so indispensable to its readers as Comfort is and it is always growing. What I like about it is that the sisters are all God-fearing, God-loving women, which is not so common in this chaotic age. Young Wife, in October Issue, your experience is much like mine. Would you mind writing to me? I also was married when very young, at sixteen, and married my first love. I was only fourteen when we first met. We've been married now over seven years and we are still lovers. Of course there have been smahlne and showers—even storms, but the sunshine is always brighter after a shower. We have two of the dearest children, Anna Melora Lauraine, agad four, and Raymond Leale, aged six months.

Once love I plead, don't forget the fund. Isn't it rather a shame to have the men folks remind us of our duty as we started out with so much enthusiamn't et a finish with the same spirit! Forward, march! to that little hoard, wherever we all happen to store it and then what a happy New Year we can make.

Love to all.

SIDNEY, BOX 564, NEBE.

DEAR MRS. WILKINSON AND COMPORT SISTEMS:
A few days ago I read J. Fred Macdonald's letter in Comport and now, before I forget it, I am going to write my third letter to the Sisters' Corner and also send \$1.00 to Uncle Charlie's Home Fund. I had been wondering what ever happened to it. If any one thinks more of Uncle Charlie than I do, show me.
I am a widow with not so much of this world's goods; five acres across the street from the city limits and an old hen coop, but it is Home Sweet Home. I am taking care of my mother. She will be \$3 if she lives until June 27, 1920, so I have not much of a chance to earn money as she has been in bed nearly three years and I don't do much else but take care of her.
I'll tell you how I earned the money for Uncle Charlie. I sold homes glants. I have very good lick with flowers.

with flowers.

I don't see why we can't get together and get the mostey for a home for him. It would be much better than a monument after he is gone. I'd rather have the flowers while I'm living, when I'm dead I won't know anything about it.

I have taken Compose fifteen years and expect to take it as long as I live. My subscription is now paid until January, 1922.

I would like to correspond with someone from Oregon, southern Colorado or California.

I will close my letter with a description of myself. Five feet, four inches tall, 43 years young, grey-bine eyes, golden hair and weigh 170 pounds.

H, H,

LEBANON, PA.

After reading the letters of Verne Ellis and J. Fred Macdeuald I can keep quiet no longer and must join the boosters for Uncle Charlie's Home Fund, Just think of writing some of our rich men asking help for Uncle Charlie when If each one of the Comfort readers would give their bit he would have that home for which his heart yearns and have it through the efforts of friends who love him and appreciate the good work he is doing. Must we delay till too late? Let us do tur bit now while Uncle Charlie is with us. A home will bring him happiness and cabbe him to get the rest he so sadly needs, while a tombstone, so matter how grand, after he is at rest, will be of no use at all. Come on, true friends of Uncle Charlie, and make the Home Fund increase to such an extent within the next few weeks that the first of the year will see him in a home of his own.

Mrs. J. S. NAGLE.

Sincerely yours, Mrs. J. S. NAGLE.

With best wishes to Uncle Charlie and all the Com-

LINCOLNTON, N. C.

DEAR MRS. WILKINSON AND SISTERS:

I've been thinking for a long time that I would write but put it off from time to time. In a recent issue I saw something about Uncle Charlie's Home Fund and that the money can be sent to you. I am sending \$1.00 and truly hope others will send the same amount, or more. I carned mine picking cotton and this being my first year in the cotton patch it took me an evening to pick thirty-five pounds; at a cent a pound it took several evenings to carn one dollar. I am sure all can earn it some way and we enjoy giving when we carn what we give. Let me all pray that by Easter, 1920, enough will be sent for Uncle Charlie's home.

I read the sisters' letters and husband reads the others to the children. The print is so fine. We had an automobile accident in 1918 and my-eyes are still affected from the nervous shock. I was unconscious a week and after that for a while I saw double, a lishould be glad to have a letter shower on my birthday which will be January 11. Before my marriage my name was Hagar Hunt. Should any of my old schoolmates see this, I hope to hear from them.

With love to Mrs. Wilkinson and the slaters,

Ontablo. Ore. LINCOLNTON, N. C. .

ONTARIO, ORE.

DRAU COMPORT SISTERS:

I have just read the letters in the Sisters' Corner, algacet Verme Ellis and Fred McDonald. I am with them in boosting for Unele Charlie's Home Fund. Let's give him a home while he is alive to appreciate it; not wait until he is dead and then praise his good works and deeds. He does not work for fame but-for the good of humanity, although deeply afflicted himself. You who have subscribed for the Roosevelt Memorial, subscribe one tenth of the amount to Uncle Charlie's Home. Roosevelt has passed vay and what you give toward his memory will do mm no good but Uncle

Fortunes Founded Through Luck

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HE boy life of Edison, the "Wisard of Menlo Park," the greatest electrical discoverer of the age, was indeed a hard one. Born in the village of Milan, Ohio, his mother was responsible for the greater part of his schooling, for she herself taught him, and when he was only twelve years old he had to go to work and earn a living as newsboy on the Canadian Grand Trunk Railway, whose terminus was Detroit.

This was hard, disagreeable work, monotonous,



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THOMAS ALVAN EDISON.

too, and you may be sure he didn't get much time to sleep. But the boy Edison had an insatiable appetite for work—and for knowledge. Electricity attracted him, and in his spare moments he studied it, later adding chemistry, for he decided that the two went together.

Then came what was, perhaps, his biggest streak of luck—his being on the spot at the very instant a little chap was about to be crushed to death beneath a train. The boy Edison snatched the child from beneath the wheels, and in gratitude for saving his son's life, the father taught Edison telegraphy. During the day the boy sold papers on the train, his nights he devoted to study of the telegraph keys. He was fourteen then. When he was seventeen he was an expert telegrapher.

But for several years the germs of great inventions had been gathering in the boy's unusually keen and active mind. When, in 1802, the startling news came in of the Battle of Pittsburg Landing, the boy was greatly excited. He divined that fame and fortune awaited the man who could get such news to way-stations throughout the country in a few moments. But in those days, such a feat was impossible. Nevertheless, the boy determined to get the news of the battles over the wires, somehow. So he bought 1,500 copies of the newspaper, and induced operators to telegraph ahead that he was coming. As a result, great crowds were waiting at the various stations, and his papers went like hot cakes at fancy prices.

Then he started a paper of his own, the Grand Trunk Herald, which he edited and printed in a box-car loaned him by the railroad company. His newspaper went up in smoke, however, for an accident set the car afire.

After his luck in saving the child from certain death, which resulted in his becoming a telegraph operator, he worked in various places in this country and Canada as operator, largely increasing his practical knowledge of electricity. Then began his long series of truly marvelous inventions, and he built first one electrical plant, then a larger one, finally the present

Then began his long series of truly marvelous inventions, and he built first one electrical plant, then a larger one, finally the present laboratory at West Orange, N. J.

A few of Edison's inventions are the automatic repeater, quadruplex telegraph, printing telegraph, and, later on, the phonograph, incandescent lamp, kintescope, kintephone, etc. He has received patents for more than 900 inventions and, at 74, is still "going strong," He has won medals, been decorated by foreign governments, and many American colleges have conferred degrees upon him.

After his big stroke of luck when he was 14, what is the secret of Edison's success? Work! At an age when many boys smoked cigarettes, wasted their spare time playing pool or the races, or in "shooting craps," the young Edison was putting in every second he could Spare in studying electricity, telegraphy and chemistry.

He was equipping himself to wrest mighty secrets from Nature, and so become what he is today—the world's foremost inventor and one of mankind's greatest benefactors.

Saving a child's life was the luck that led to his fame and fortune.

for \$1.00.

With best wishes to Uncle Charlie and all the Com-

DEAR MRS. WILKINSON AND COMFORT READERS:
Will you allow me a little room in your corner?
have read COMFORT for years and have enjoyed ti
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I, like Verne Ellis, wonder why we cannot go over the top with Uncle Charlie's Home Fund, that was so well started but never finished. I, for one, think we are all real slackers for not finishing this worthy undertaking. Uncle Charlie has done and is doing, more for the betterment of mankind than any other one man living, I believe.

Let's get together is a hurry and finish this before the new year. There is hardly a reader of Comforthe new year. There is hardly a reader of Comforthe new year. There is hardly a reader of comforthe new year. In the property of the new year is a hurry and finish this before the new year. There is hardly a reader of comforthe new year. It has a hurry and finish this before the new year. It have not always a hardly a reader of comforthe new year. There is hardly a reader of comforthe new year. It has not allow the property of the property o

Soliloquy

I declare, these letters from the readers of Com-FORT do flatter me, and they are interesting.

There are two from Mrs. Sippl, one from Alabama, one from Georgia—by one of my own name—one from Illinois, two from Kansas and one even from this city of sacred walls; and I am told there are more on the way.

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Your protection against the "Flu."

SEND NO MONEY



Women's Fleeced Lined Shoe \$3.98.



Comfort Readers Praise "More Eggs"

We wrote to about 2,000 Comfort Magazine subscribers asking what they thought of Reefer's "More Eggs" Tonic. The most enthusiastic answers were received. All told of wonderful increases in egg production. The same chance is now given all other Comfort readers who raise chickens and who want to get more eggs and more money from their flocks. Surely, what "More Eggs" has done for others, it can do for you. Read below a few of the letters received by Mr. Reefer from among the

400,000 Users!

of his great egg producing tonic. These are but a few of thousands of letters:

Surprise to Everyone — Neigh-bor Gete More Eggs

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Dear Mr. Reefer: Three
weeks ago I sold E. F. Schainer a package of your "More
Eggs," and I saw him this
morning. He told me he was
very much surprised that he
had only been getting 6 eggs
a day and now he is getting
30. I, myself, am surprised. I
was getting one or two eggs a
day, and now I am getting 22.
—Yours truly, CHARLES VARENHOHL, Greenville, Ill.

Here's Absolute Proof

Dear Mr. Reefer: I have been using "More Eggs" Tonic and think it is fine. I was getting only 5 or 6 eggs a day, and after a few weeks I got 25 or 20 a day. Tours truly, J. R. WEATHERTON, Montans,

\$260 Worth of Eggs from 44

I never used "More Eggs"
Tonic until last December—
then just used one \$1 package,
and have sold over \$200 worth
of eggs from 44 hens. "More
Eggs" Tonic did it.—A. G.
TRODE, Sterling, Kas., R. No.
2, Box 47.

20 Times as Many Eggs

Dear Mr. Reefer: The \$1.00 size of "More Eggs" Tonic you sent me was a success from the start. From one and two eggs a day from about 40 hens I have brought them up to 22 a day,—Yours very truly, LOU-IS H. HILL, Lawtey, Fla.

Laying More Than Ever

E. J. Reefer: I had a box of Reefer's "More Eggs" Tonic and I like it fine. I have 36 hens and they are laying more than they ever did; so please send me another order.—Yours truly, KATE T. TERRY, Dubois, Illinois.

Increase from 8 to 36 Eggs I am well pleased with your "More Eggs" Tonic. I was only getting 8 or 9 eggs a day—now I am getting 3 dozen a day.—WM. SCHMIDT, Shady Bend, Kansas.

1,200 Eggs from 29 Hens The "More Eggs" Tonic did wonders for me. I had 29 hens when I got the tonic and was getting five or six eggs a day. April 1st I had over 1,200 eggs. I never saw the equal.—EDW, MEKKER, Pentiac, Mich. Gets Eggs in January

Dear Mr. Reefer: I began feeding my flock your "More Eggs" Tonic the 22d of January, and have fed it every day. I am now getting from 20 to 27 a day.—Yours truly, MRS T. J. MITCHELL, Pocahontas, Arkansas.

36 Hens - 36 Eggs Daily

Dear Mr. Reefer: Enclosed you will find \$5. Please send me your \$5.00 offer of "More Eggs." I have 3 dozen hens, and I was not getting an egg when I began using your "More Eggs" Tonic. Now I am getting from \$0 to \$6 a day.—Yours truly, N. WARREN, Academy, Calif.

"More Eggs" Makes \$300 I used "More Eggs" Tonic during the winter. I was able to sell \$300 worth of eggs. Good record.—JOSEPHINE BEVARD, Derby Iowa.

"More Eggs" Puts Hens In

Finish Moult-Lay Quickly

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E. J. Reefer: I used Reefer's
"More Eggs" Tonic, and I
know it did my old hens goed,
for as soon as they got through
moulting they began laying.
Please rush me a supply.—Yrs.
respectfully, E. C. McCALL,
Williamsburg, Pa.

Alabama Praises "More Eggs" Dear Mr. Reefer: I think
"More Eggs" is the finest medicine I ever gave to my hens,
and I will send you another
order soon. — MRS. B. STEPHENS, Fulton, Ala.

160 Hens - 1,500 Eggs

The "More Eggs" Tonic I have fed two boxes of "More Eggs" to my hens, and I think they have broken the ordered from you last winter egg record. I have 160 White proved out very satisfactory. Leghorns, and in exactly 21 Fully 75 per cent of my heas laid every day.—H. C. RADER, Greenville, Tenn.

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EAD the letters shown on this page tell you how Reefer's "More Eggs" Ton of loafers, doubles the egg yield — yes, treble sometimes quadruples the egg yield. How it makes of the average backyard, barnyard hens, and puts lots of money in

The price of eggs has already gone to \$1.00 cities of the country. The demand for eggs is great a year ago this time as proven by market quotatic laying is speeded up, there won't be eggs to be had an \$1.00 a dozen. This means big profits for poultry time to get all the eggs you can sell at high prices.

Got 117 Eggs **Instead of 3**

That's what one subscriber wrote, Read below a few of thousands of letters.

Nothing Equals "More Eggs"
Dear Mr. Reefer: I don't think there is anything to equal your "More Eggs" Tonic. 'I am getting 3 eggs a day off 5 hens. Before I was getting one or two a day, and sometimes not any at all. That Egg Tonic is certainly doing great work.—Yours truly, MRS. WILLIAM DEER, Steele, North Dakota.
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North Dakota.

Wants Wonderful Offer on Reefer's "More Eggs"

Dear Mr. Reefer: The "More Eggs"

Dear Mr. Reefer: The "More Eggs"

Tonic that we got from you was all right. We were getting about 3 or 4 eggs a day when we got it, and now we average from 26 to 30 a day.

I am enclosing money order for your wonderful offer.—From your friend, MINNIE HAW-KINS, Cloversport, Ky.



began feeding "More Eggs Tonic to my flock of hens in November. At that time I was getting one egg every other day. Then, on Dec. 5th, I brought in 27, which is very good for this time of the year. I think "More Eggs" Tonic is fine.—MRS. E. H. PALMER, Dundee, Mich.

Tonic has done for me. I had only been getting 6 or 3 eggs a day, and I have now reached 35. From 50 hens I got 618 eggs in 28 days. I never shall be without "More Eggs" Tonic, and sell it to my frienda—Tours sincerely, MRS. WM. De BERRY, Ridgeley, Tenn.

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Results Guarantee

The Million Dollar Merchants' Bank of Kansas City, Mo., guarantees that "More Eggs" Tonic will produce results. This million dollar bank guarantees to refund your money if you are not satisfied in every way. So you can start using Reefer's "More Eggs" Tonic—see what it will do in increasing your egg production and bringing bigger, BIGGER profits—then if it doesn't make good on your hens it won't cost you a cent. So you run no risk. Don't delay. Act NOW.

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en in many tay than it was and unless egg ter for less than Now is the The one thing necessary to assure a big egg yield is the feeding of Reefer's "More Eggs" to your hens. You will be amazed and delighted with results. This famous tonic has already been tried, tested and proven by 400,000 chicken raisers. It has stood the test of years and is acknowledged the best and most successful egg producer on the market.

Makes Layers Out of Loafers

Reefer's "More Eggs" contains every element that goes toward the making of more eggs. It is a concentrated tonic—not a food. It is a perfect regulator, aids digestion, stimulates egg production and builds firm bones and strong muscles.

50 Eggs a Day

I received your "More Eggs" Tonic and found it was a great Godsend. I was only getting 12 eggs a day, and now I am getting 50 a day.

-MYRTLE ICE, Boston, Ky.

This \$100 Package

I have convinced over 400,000 poultry raisers of the value of my "More Eggs" Tonic. If I haven't as yet convinced you, it's merely because you haven't given me the chance. I want to convince you; in fact, am more than anxious that you may know, not from the experience of others alone, but from your own experience, of its great advantage in increasing the egg yield of your hens.

Will you give me the chance to prove to you its great merit? My free offer is made in the sincere hope and with the sole purpose of getting you to give me this very opportunity. I know what your verdict will be when you once try "MORE EGGS"—but my great difficulty is to get you to ACT—to get you to decide NOW that you will give "MORE EGGS" an henest and fair trial. Won't you do this—won't you do it when, in your own interest, I offer

you a package FREE, just to show you what I can do for you in making your hens lay more eggs? Why doubt? Why delay? Others are getting more eggs than they ever dreamed of getting; you can do the same, and eggs today, you know, represent real dollars.

How to Get the FREE Package

Fill in and mail to me the coupon below. When I receive it, I will send you two \$1.00 packages of "MORE EGGS." You pay the postman upon delivery only \$1.00, the price of only one package, the other package being FREE! Keep the extra package; or, better still, sell it to a poultry friend, so you can get your money back and have your own package for nothing.

Send No Money

Just Mail this Coupon

Don't send any money; just fill in and mail coupon. I will immediately send you two \$1.00 packages of "More Eggs." Pay the postman upon delivery only \$1.00, the extra package being FREE. Don't wait—take advantage of this free offer today! Eggs are steadily advancing in price and will reach the \$1.00 per dozen mark long before the middle of winter. Reap the big profits "More Eggs" will make for you. Don't let your neighbor get the advantage of you—you, too, can have plenty of eggs to sell when the price is highest, if you'll only act NOW! Send today! Right now!

E.J. Reefer

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E. J. Reefer, Poultry Expert 3041 Reefer Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Mr. Reefer:—I accept your offer. Send me the two \$1.00 packages of Reefer's More Eggs, for which I agree to pay the postman \$1.00 when he brings me the two packages. You agree to refund me \$1.00 if both of these packages do not prove satisfactory in every way.

Name.

Address._____

the terms I have proposed?" he inquired, without deigning any reply to the vindictive retort. His manner was so calm and self-contained that Wilhelm Mencke imagined that he was upon the point of yielding to his demands, rather than have the risk of having the jewelry pawned, and he replied, rather more rudely and emphatically than he might have done, perhaps, could be have foreseen how the interview was to terminate:

terminate:
"Yes, sir, I do," a horrible oath completing

the sentence.

Wallace very deliberately slipped the box into a drawer in his desk, locked it, and put the key

in his pocket.

"Then, Mr. Mencke, a court of justice will have to decide to whom this property rightfully belongs, and what disposition shall be made of it," he said, with a quietness and self-possession which utterly confounded his companion.

CHAPTER XXV.

WILHELM MENCKE MAKES A STARTLING DIS-COVERY.

"Wh—what do you mean, you—you—upstart!"
Wilhelm Mencke finally exclaimed, starting to his feet, his face flushing to an almost purple hue with anger, his huge, fat fists threateningly

hue with anger, his huge, fat fists threateningly uplifted.

He was an extremely repulsive-looking object in his importent rage, and his blustering manner would have cowed and alarmed a less courageous man than Wallace.

"You had better sit down, Mr. Mencke, and compose yourself," he quietly remarked, but without so much as the flinching of an eyelid.

"Give me that box?" hissed the man, savagely, and shaking his fist in close proximity to Wallace's nose; yet his look shifted uneasily before the young man's calm gaze.

"I shall not give you the box, Mr. Mencke," he returned, without the slightest variation in his tranquil tone.

"I shall have you arrested, for theft," blustered the irate man, but with not quite so much confidence as before.

"Sit down, sir," Wallace now sternly demanded; "I wish to talk with you further about this matter."

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The man instinctively obeyed him and sank back into his chair, but with much muttering and grumbling about being "swindled out of his rights by a low-born beggar."

Wallace paid no attention to his abuse, but resumed, with infiexible decision and in a business-like way:

"Now, sir, I will make terms with you. The contents of that box belonged to my wife, Violet Huntington Richardson—almost every piece of the jewelry is marked with the initials of her maiden name, and there would be no difficulty whatever in having it identified. That she was my wife can be readily proved by a certain document which I have in my possession and which you have already seen. These two propositions being established, another can be deduced from them—namely, that the husband of Mrs. Richardson would have the first claim upon whatever personal property she might have possessed at the time of her death. Now, Mr. Mencke, if you wish to have me arrested for theft, you can at once institute proceedings against me, and we will have the matter decided in court."

Wilhelm Mencke had grown as white as it was possible for his beer-inflamed face to become during these remarks, for he saw the force of Wallace's reasoning and realized that he had made a grand mistake in refusing to accept the young man's offer to him, and a greater one in allowing the box of jewelry to go out of his hands.

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But he could not curb his rage, and he broke forth again, furiously.

"You are a — robber; you have my property and you have taken an unfair advantage of me; you cannot prove that those jewels belong to any one else—"

"I am not a robber, sir, while I can prove—and fortunately at this very moment—that those articles of jewelry once belonged to my wife, Violet," Wallace calmly answered, as, reaching out his hand, he touched an electric button beside his deak.

A musical ring from the adjoining room responded to the pressure, and the next moment a clerk opened the door to ascertain what was "Albert is Lord Carroom att."

"Albert, is Lord Cameron still in the office?"
Wallace inquired.
"Yes, sir," was the respectful reply.
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The cierk disappeared while Wilhelm Mencke's face grew blank with chagrin and mortification. Chagrin—for the mention of Lord Cameron's name told him that Wallace could indeed prove his statements—mertification because he could not endure the thought of meeting the young earl in his present reduced circumstances.

Lord Cameron entered almost immediately and instantly recognized Wallace's visitor.

The two men had not parted in the most cordial way, for the meanness and treachery of the Menckes having been revealed, the Camerons had not hesitated to show their disapproval and that they no longer desired their acquaintance. Accordingly his lordship only bowed distantly and coldly, as he now addlessed the man by name, and then turned to his friend to ascertain why he had been summoned.

"Cameron, Mr. Mencke has called upon me this morning to dispose of some articles that once belonged to Violet," Wallace began, as he unlocked the drawer in his desk, and drew forth the contested box, "and I simply wished to ask you in his presence to identify them."

"Certainly, if I can do so," Lord Cameron readily replied, but losing a trific of his color at the mention of Violet.

"They are the jewels which she used to wear." Wallace continued, as he uncovered the box and passed it to his friend. "Will you tell me if there is anything there that you recognize?"

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"Why, yes, I recognize almost everything there is here," his lordship returned. "These rings I have often seen her wear—all save this plain heavy band; the bracelet, one pair of which were my own gift to her; also this lace pin of violets with the diamond center. Why, of course there can be no doubt that they were hers," he added, as he turned them over with reverent hand, "for nearly everything is marked with her initials."

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"As I remarked before, Mr. Mencke wishes to dispose of them; he has offered them to me for the sum of two thousand dollars," Wallace said, carefully returning them to the drawer of his desk as his friend passed them back to him.

"What!" exclaimed the young earl, with a frown and look of astonishment; "he wishes to self them, and to you?"

"Yes, and he demands the sum that I have named, or he threatens—at least he did threaten—to pawn them."

An expression of disgust swept over Lord Cameron's fine face; then he exclaimed, indignantly:

"Why, Richardson, that is beastly! But he has no right to, the things at all; Violet was your wife, and every article belongs by law to you."

you."
"So I have told him, and so, I think, any judge would decree," said Wallace. "Still, I could not think of allowing them to be pawned, and, as I did not wish to take any advantage of Mr. Mencke, who says he is in need of money, I have offered to go with him to any reliable jeweler and give him whatever sum may be

His Heart's Queen the sake of associations."

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"It is more than he ought to ask or even expect. Wallace—it is a very generous oder," said his lordship.

"But he refuses to take it—he demands two thousand dollars or nothing. I could not stand such extortion as that, and so have taken possosion of the box, with the determination to have the matter settled by law. He claimed that I could not prove to whom they had belonged, therefore I took the liberty to call you, in order to show him that it would be a very easy matter to do so," Wallace explained.

"You did perfectly right," Lord Cameron responded, heartily, "and I will willingly give my testimony in the presence of both judge and jury, if need be."

Wilhelm Mencke began to realize that he had made a serious blunder—that he had overreached himself in his exorbitant demands.

He had no wish to have the matter decided by law—he would not have it made public upon any account, for it would then get into the papers, and that would bring about the very denouement which he was so anxious to avoid—that of uniting the young husband and wife.

He was terribly disappointed to be thus baffied in his plans, but he saw that he could not help himself, and that it would be wise to make the best of a bad situation, and take what money he could get from Wallace.

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best of a bad situation, and take what money he could get from Wallace.

"He claims that I am a thief, and says he will have me arrested," the young architect observed, with a slight smile.

"Let him—the sooner the better; and it would be the better way to decide the matter; you should not be obliged to pay for what rightly belongs to you," said Lord Cameron, with a contemptuous glance at the discomfitted man.

"True, but I am willing to stand by my word," Wallace gravely replied, for he also shrank from any publicity of the matter, "and I will not withdraw the proposition I have already made. "How is it, sir,"—turning with a quick, business-like air to Mr. Mencke—"will you go with me to some jeweler and take what he states to be the value of these things?"

"I don't see how I am to help myself," the man sulkily returned; "you have obtained the advantage of me and I am forced to submit; but I'll be even with you set."

Wallace's lip curled at the cowardly insinuation and threat, but he did not reply to them.

"Will you accompany us, Cameron, so that there will be no suspicion that there is anything wrong about the transaction?" he asked his friend.

-Lord Cameron readily assented, and the three men went out together.

They proceeded directly to Tiffany's, where an expert in the establishment soon set a price upon Violet's pretty ornaments, whereupon Wallace paid out the sum, together with the bonus which he had promised, to Wilhelm Mencke.

"Now, sir," he said, in a low, stern tone, as the man took the money with a hang-dog air, "let this transaction conclude all relations between us. I trust that we shall never meet each other again."

He turned abruptly away and walked out of the store, with his friend, leaving the discomfited schemer inwardly raging over what he considered a paltry sum, and the failure of his plot to "bleed" Wallace copiously, and secretly vowing that the disappointing transaction should not conclude all relations between them.

"I reckon you'd willingly give me twenty times this amount, my high-headed beggar, for a little secret there is in my possession," he muttered, as he went his own way, "and I'm manage yet to make you shell out handsomely; you shall pay dearly for riding, rough-shod, over me as you have done today."

That same evening when Wallace was alone in his room—a pleasant, luxurious apartment in an up-town house—he again examined the contents of that precious box.

All day long, since the interview of the morning, he had been heavy-hearted, and he had longed to get away by himself, that he might give vent to the grief which he found so hard to control.

He spread out those voiceless yet expressive mementoes on the table before him, and now

to control.

He spread out those voiceless yet expressive mementoes on the table before him, and now almost every article seemed to arouse memarles so tender, and yet so bitter, that he was forced to abandon himself to their sway, and, bowing his head upon the glittering jewels, he sobbed as only a strong man can sob, when the barriers are broken away from a long pent-up sorrow.

He sat there for hours, giving way to a hopelless grief; then he gathered up his treasures, one by one, with reverent touch, pressing them to his face der, and cheeks, and replaced them in the box upon a layer of cotton, covering them with another, and shutting them from his sight.

"I believe I will never look at them again," he murmured, as he locked them away in his trunk. "It seems almost like looking into her grave, and I could not bear many seasons of grief like this."

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The next day he purchased a beautiful casket of carved ebony, inlaid with pearl, having a golden key, and when he again returned to his

room, he tocked that other box within it, then burying it within the depths of his trunk, he attached the tiny key to his watch-chain, beside the little charm that Violet had given him so long ago, and felt almost as if he had just locked his dead away in her tomb.

While Wallace had been indulging his long-pent grief in the solitude of his luxurious chamber, Wilhelm Mencke was alternately sucking his pipe and drinking beer from a capacious pitcher, in his miserable and comfortless lodging, reading meanwhile from a Cincinnati paper, which he took regularly, in order to keep himself posted upon what was transpiring in the city where he had formerly lived.

He had come to feel quite reconciled to the sum that he had managed to secure from Wallace that morning, though his hatred of that young man did not diminish one lota, and he thought he could not better improve the evening than by drinking to his own health and continued prosperity.

To be sure, he had not secured the two thousand which he had intended to wring from the young architect; but the sum he had obtained was no mean one, and he was planning to invest it in a small beer salooa, and thus start business for himself again.

All through the evening this plan was floating through his brain, as he read his paper, which, somehow, did not prove as interesting as usual. But suddenly his eye alighted upon an article which caused an ejaculation of astonishment to escape him, and straightway put every other thought to dight.

"What is this?" he cried, sitting erect, throwing aside his pipe, and rubbing his eyes, as if to clear them from a mist which seemed to obscure the sight.

"Then he read the paragraph through again, his face expressing first incredulity, then wonder, and finally, as he comprehended it more clearly, intense delight.

"Aha!" he cried, bringing his huge fist down upon the table with a force that made the beer slop over the edge of the nitcher; "my lucky star must be in the ascendant again. There will be no need of keeping a fourth-rate beershop

The paragraph which had produced this sudden excess of Joy in this usually stolid man, read as follows:

"A singular case of unclaimed property has (CONTINUED ON PAGE 36.)

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If it is a private party held at a home, the invitations should request each guest to bring some article that he or she would like to trade off for something else and to wrap the parcel in such a way that its contents cannot be told at a glance. When the "Trading Party" is held on a semi-public occasion such as a church supper or anything like that, it is well to have the ladies who are getting up the affair provided with goods to barter. These things can be any little trifles that the ladies of the society can make themselves or beg from their friends, such as sachet bags, tiny button bags, iron holders, a few home-made candies in a box, a boanch of assorted vegetables tied up like a bouquet and put in a box, anything that will raise a laugh or make an acceptable little souvenir. These things should be sold for ten or fifteen cents each, but they must not be examined before purchasing. At a certain hour, usually when most of the company have assembled, a bell is rung and the trading begins. The object of the traders is to swap articles as many times as possible in the hour or hour and a half devoted to the business. It is permissible to look at each article before trying to trade it off, but this must be done discreetly so that no one but the would-be trader will see what it is. Then it must be wrapped up again and swapped without telling what the parcel contains. And this trading is kept up until the bell rings as a sign that the exchange is closed and the business is over. Each trader will see what it is. Then it must be wrapped up again and swapped without telling what the parcel

Two Wonderful Foods

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length strips of macaroni in boiling salted water and cook until soft. Drain, plunge into cold water and drain again. Arrange in four nests as illustrated. Take one half of a large-sized boiled beet and scoop out the center, and use as a foundation for the snow man which is shaped from hot well-seasoned mashed potato. Place in center of nests of macaroni and set into hot oven until all is hot enough to serve. Garnish with bits of parsley or other green, and for eyes, nose and mouth of snow man use pieces of the red beet.

COMBINATION DISH.—Boil tripe twenty minutes; dry and cut into inch pieces. Put into sauce-pan with a little butter, pepper and salt and lightly brown, stirring constantly. Boil small-sized onions, drain thoroughly and set into oven to keep hot. Make a sauce by putting two table-spoons of butter into a sauce-pan and when it bubbles smooth in two tablespoons of four. Add slowly to this one pint of hot rich milk and cook three minutes. On a hot platter arrange the boiled onions and tripe and over it pour the hot sauce. Around the edge of platter arrange three-cornered slices of toast well browned and buttered. This is an excellent one-dish meal.

Marshmallow Cakes.—One cup of molasses, one scant tablespoon of ginger, one half teaspoon of salt, and one teaspoon of soda mixed thoroughly together. Add one third cup of softened butter and beat again. Add alternately one cup of milk with three even cups of sifted pastry flour and beat hard. Bake twenty-five minutes in a moderate oven.

Boil together without stirring one cup of granulated sugar and one third cup of boiling water until it threads when a little is poured from a spoon. Pour in a fine stream into the well-beaten white of one egg and a scant quarter of a teaspoon of cream of tartar, beating continuously. Into this put six marshmallows cut in fine pieces and as soon as all is blended pour in mounds on the ginger cakes.

I hastened to dispose of it. But I found to my dismay that it had been the rounds and everybody seemed to know just what the box contained. So I went into the next room, removed the cabbage from the box and made a neat square package of it, stuffing the inside of the parcel with wads of paper so that it would not show by its shape what it was. Then I came back into the trading room again with an air of triumph and my cabbage quickly found its way into other hands, leaving me when the bell rang with the prettiest little sachet bag imaginable. For few people had noticed my absence and everyone supposed I was offering something entirely different. In entertainments of this sort much of the fun depends on the state of mind of the participants. Two or three jolly people can make the trading go with a great deal of vim, especially if they are quick at repartee and clever at persuading would-be swappers that the parcels they are trying to swap contain wonderful bargains just suited to the one on whom they are trying to work them off, but offered for exchange because they "have something just like it at home" or because "the color does not harmonize with their best clothes," or some nonsense of the sort. The first prize for the best trader can be a small account book because this could be used by either a man or a woman, or there could be two first prizes, one for a gentleman and one for a lady. The lady's prize could be a box of home-made candy on which was written, "Swap a piece or two for Thank you's from your friends." The man could have a penknife or a paper knife for which he must swap a penny with his hostess or the president of the society in accordance with the old superstition that it is unlucky to be given a knife unless you give something for it.

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It is amusing to make the supper an affair of swapping also. To do this, all the food must be wrapped in parcels and piled on trays that are passed to each person and every one is requested to take two bundles. When these are opened there is usually a great mixup. One guest will find he has two packages of delicious chocolate cake, another has drawn nothing but sandwiches, etc., so a merry exchange begins until all have obtained a little of everything that has been served. The coffee or lemonade or whatever drink is decided upon had best be passed in the usual manner and if ice cream forms a part of the feast it should also be passed as it is too easily melted to stand the wear and tear of "swapping."

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If preferred, this same idea can be given quite a literary flavor and made much more "high brow" by having each guest write on the top of his parcel a name of a book or poem or even a "movie play" which it illustrates. For instance, a burnt-out electric bulb encased in a dainty box could be called "The Light That Failed," a dill pickle wrapped so that no one could recognize it would represent that popular book, "Eat and Grow Thin." One of those five- or ten-cent whistles with a tiny balloon-shaped bag on one end that when blown gives a blood-cardling screech, could be appropriately labeled "The Call of the Wild," while three or four fenthers pulled out of an old feather duster might be named after that wonderful new moving picture of Mary Pickford's, "Less Than the Dust." But the title should have "er" added in small letters after it, to make it fit the duster. These things should be placed on a table at first and the guests invited to guess the contents on all others but their own bundles. The first to guess the contents correctly gets the article. The hostess for one, The person who gets the greatest numshould take charge of the table and as every one hands in his or her bundle he or she whispers what it contains. The hostess immediately puts this down on a list which she keeps for herself and shows to nobody. She numbers each box in home.



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Driven Apart

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I must take her away to some place where she can have medical attention."
"You can't have the car, see!" returned the surly voice of Gorsline. "It belongs to a cove as jest went in the house, and I'm keepin' it for him."

"I will have it! It is a matter of life and death!"

death!"

There was a rush, a quick and cruel impact of blows, and the man who was doing his utmost for the woman who was dear to him was stricken in a senseless heap to the pavement. Berdyne had heard the altercation, and was close at hand when Gorsline used his merciless fists.

"It's an earthquake," cried Gorsline, turning his evil gaze upon Berdyne, "the biggest 'Frisco ever had! The town is wrecked!"

"It came at a good time for me!" exulted the villainous Berdyne. "Where's the taxi?"

"The chauffeur hiked away like he was shot when the shake commenced."

"Where's 'arenwyck?"

"He was scared out of his wits, and ran as if the fiend was after him."

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"Well," he added, "get into the car and help me. We must get out of this and make for Sausalito."
"Not I—not on your life! The pickin' will be too good."
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be too good."

The ghoulish spirit had already taken hold of the deprayed soul of Dave Gorsline. Berdyne laid Beryl on the front seat of the automobile, then reached for his revolver with the intention of driving Gorsline into the car at its point—but the weapon had been lost. Abandoning the hope of taking Gorsline with him, Berdyne jumped into the car; and, as he switched on the power, a look behind showed his accomplice leaning over the prostrate form on the walk, rifling it of valuables.

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The street was fissured and gashed, and in places rendered almost impassible by heaps of debris. Berdyne was eager for speed, but could only pick his way along at a snail's pace. Again and again he was all but stopped by frenzied men and women, clad in their nightclothes, or such articles as they could catch up in their hurried flight, beseeching him to take them in and carry them to some point of safety. Every request of this kind he refused with brutal oaths. At the first cross street he turned south, with

request of this kind he refused with brutal oaths. At the first cross street he turned south, with the vague idea of gaining Market Street and the ferry. He had a chartered yacht riding in the waters off Sausalito, but the comprehensiveness of the disaster to the city, which impressed him more and more as he proceeded, filled him with despair of ever reaching the boat. If he could get across the bay to Oakland, or to Alameda, or to Berkeley, he felt that his crafty brain could find ways and means for keeping his lovely prisoner safe.

Suddenly, from somewhere, a policeman darted in front of the car, "Stop!" he called, raising his club.

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"What do you want?" demanded Berdyne, leaning forward and peering with determined eyes into the officer's face.

"I want that automobile," was the sharp refolader. "Every car is being impressed to take prisoners from the Hall of Justice to the Presidio, where they can be guarded by the military. Get out quickly; I must have the machine."

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"I am taking my wife to the hospital," shouted Berdyne, "and neither you, nor all the officers in the city, can take this car from me."

The officer saw the pallid, beautiful face of Beryl lying unconscious against the back of the cushioned seat. Whatever sentiment lurked in his heart will never be known, but he stepped aside and permitted the vehicle to pass.

"The Mechanics' Pavilion is to be turned into a hospital," said he, "and perhaps you had better go there. Most of the city is in ruins,"

With a low, crafty laugh, Berdyne turned on the speed and sent the car ahead.

"Luck is with me this day," he gloated: "Preston is dead, and the beautiful Beryl Grayson is in my power! On, on to Oakland or Alameda or the Berkeley Hills! There we shall find refuge, and there my love shall finally win the day."

Another automobile loaded with men, women and children swept by him.

"Where are you going?" some one yelled to him.

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"To the ferry!" he answered back.
"Useless!" came the cry. "The boats are not running! Fires are starting everywhere, and the water mains are bursted! If you would save yourself, take the San Bruno Road and go south!"

The other car dashed on through the tumult and clamor that came from all sides and swept over the fated city like a requiem for the lost. Dismay gripped its strangling fingers about Berdyne's throat. He had first set his heart on Sausalito; then on the Berkeley Hills; now he was thinking of the houseboat in Belvedere Cove. Would it be possible to reach the water front and hire a launch?

and hire a launch?
Unlike most in that dazed and stupefied throng of refugees, Berdyne had plenty of ready money in his pockets. Money would secure a boat;

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lease like a madwoman, but was like a climu in his grasp.
"Help, help." she screamed.
Strange that among all that clamor of distress her one, small voice should find ears. Yet so it chanced. A strong man, his face calm in the midst of all that excitement, hastened toward the car. Berdyne would have given added speed to the machine, had not a heap of bricks barred his way and compelled him to turn toward the approaching stranger in order to get around the barrier.
"What's the matter there?" demanded the man aggressively.

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"My poor wife;" cried Berdyne, in seeming anguish. "Her ordeal has turned her brain. I am seeking to convey her to some place where we can find refuge."
"I am not his wife!" screamed poor Beryl. "He is a monster, a fiend! Oh, save me, save me!"

me!"
She stretched out her little hands toward the man, but he shook his head sadly and drew back, impressed by Berdyne's assumed air and

superb acting.
"It is sad," said the man, "but only one case
among thousands. Make for the crest of Telegraph Hill, my friend; I think you and your
poor wife will be safer there than anywhere
else."

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Berdyne thanked him, rounded the heap of bricks, and glided away.

Sick and despairing, Beryl could only continue her struggles. She was pitting her feeble strength against the physical powers and crafty brain of a fiend. Her soul sickened within her. She begged, she implored, she threatened, but her only answer was a mocking laugh.

"I am Mrs. Preston!" she cried, in her desperation, "You will be called to sore account for this, Nicholas Berdyne!"

"I do not believe it," he said tauntingly. "Yet, even so, you are Neil Preston's widow. Did you not see him struck down before you? You are mine, my ravishing little beauty! The earthquake has given you to me; and I shall keep you in spite of fate—in spite of Heaven Itself!"

The mockery of the words must have drawn down the wrath of the powers above. At that instant some one—some one with the mercy to think of orders in that fearful time—called out:

"The live wires! Look out for the live wires!"

But it was too late. A tangling wire struck against the front of the automobile, hissing, spluttering, and sending out sharp, bluish flames. Berdyne shut off the power and applied the brakes.

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Suddenly his grip relaxed, all his great strength going from him in a flash. Drooping like a broken reed, he tumbled headfirst from the car into the littered road.

Beryl, her lips moving volcelessly to frame the prayer that welled up from her heart, leaped out at the other side of the car.

A few minutes later, Berdyne, who had been merely stunned, got unsteadily to his feet in the roadway. Beryl had vanished, and the Red Flyer, seized by some of the frightened refugees who had found it standing idle, was gliding out of sight.

Recovering himself quickly and lashed to fury by the mishap, Berdyne rushed blindly along the street, seeking the fair, unfortunate girl who had escaped from him.

CHAPTER XIII.

ALONE.

Beryl's every motion, for the time, centered upon the one object—escape from the hateful power of Berdyne. The echo of his venomous voice rang in her ears, goading her flying feet to swifter pace. The unreasoning instinct of fear had laid hold of her and smothered every thought, every desire, save that of escape. She knew not whither her feet were carrying her, but fled on and on, fancying each moment she could hear Berdyne behind her. At last she tripped and fell exhausted, unable to rise.

"Faith, miss," cried a stout Irishwoman, "ye needn't be runnin' so hard. Sure, there's plenty av time for ivery sow! that's alive to get out av the city. Glory be!" she cried, astonished at the marvelous beauty revealed when Beryl raised her face. "It's a purty dear ye are, and the city's a bad place for wan with an angel's face like yours."

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The Irishwoman had a hat box in one hand and a caged parrot in the other; a bedraggled little bonnet was on her head, and a coarse shawl hung over her plump shoulders. But there was a look of deep commiseration in her flushed face as she stood studying poor Beryl. Evidently a foreboding arose in her heart which she hesitated to put into words; the only way she gave expression to her thoughts was by a doleful shake of the head.

"Too bad, too bad, so it is!" she murmured. "Have ye any people anywhere near, my dear?" That simple question brought realization to the forlorn little bride, and her tears began to flow. She remembered Neil and Tonita.

"My husband," she sobbed; "he is somewhere in this awful city! Oh, take me to him, take me to him!"

to him!"

The Irishwoman sat down her load and sank to her knees beside the distraught girl.

"There, there," she said soothingly, "'tis wan av the things we must make the best of. Ye know, acushia, there's no helpin' the earthquakes, at all, at all. There's a little tremblin' under us now—but never mind. The worst has gone, but Heaven knows, 'twas bad enough. Look at me, will ye? Me man Mike, the childher, an' meslif all schattered to the four winds, yet I put me trust in the saints, an' I know we'll come together ag'in somehow. Where did ye l'ave yer husband?"

yer husband?"

In Pine Street."

"What number?"

"I don't know the number, 'twas at the home of Reverend Mr. Bickerdyke."

"I don't know the gintleman, deary, but take that street beyant, turn to the left, an' go five blocks. That'll bring ye to Pine Street, am' mebbe ye can find the place. I'd go wid ye, but I'm hurrying to my sister's, out by Golden Gate Park, to see if any av the family are there."

The kind-hearted creature took off her shawl, and drew it around Beryl's shoulders, then kissed her in a motherly way and went on.

Beryl tried to call out her thanks, but her voice choked on the words. Rising unsteadily, she looked fearfully around.

She saw people hurrying, some one way and some another, each with a set, determined face. But Berdyne, to her intense relief, was nowhere to be seen. Then, as every thought flew back to Neil, her full heart overflowed. She must return to her darling, she must find him, and so stumbled onward with tear-blinded eyes.

Following the Irishwoman's instructions, she

money would do anything! He turned into another street and started eastward, toward San Francisco Bay and the wharves.

Abruptly he heard a cry, and became sensible of a movement beside him. He looked, and there sat Beryl, erect, conscious, with a blank, bewildered look in her great violet eyes. Through all that had passed since leaving the minister's she had been as one dead; now her senses were struggling to shake off the numbing effects of what had gone before, and to realize where she was and what had been happening.

Fitting links into the dread chain of events was a slow and almost fruitless task. She was like one stricken. But the handsome, leering face of Berdyne, gloating over her as she sat beside him, struck terror to her soul and brought her realization, in part.

She sought to leap from the car, but one of his heavy hands stayed her. She fought for release like a madwoman, but was like a child in his grasp.

"Help, help, '" she screamed.

came finally to Pine Street, making sure of the thoroughfare by a corner sign. But the place where she entered the street was unfamiliar to her.

She knew practically nothing of the great city, Once she had come there with Tonita upon a pleasure excursion, but they had not stayed long enough to familiarize themselves with the streets. She felt that she would know the minister's house if she saw it, and if it had not been too sadly racked by the earthquake. All she could do was to walk up the middle of the street until she came to the place she was seeking.

Painfully she made her way onward, tripping again and again over the debris that littered the street, but always picking herself up bravely and pushing dauntlessly on. She dared not let herself think how grievously Neil might be hurt; she only prayed for strength and struggled forward.

It seemed as though she walked miles, and the knew she must have gone far beyond where the house stood. Several times she asked people she passed if they could tell her where the Reverend Mr. Blekerdyke's house was, but none of them knew. In an agony of doubt and fear she turned back on her path.

Perhaps it was as well that her brain was numbed and deadened to all else save the object of her search. Her tender soul would have sickened at the mighty desolation by which she was everywhere surrounded. Once, on that weary backward journey, she paused beside something that lay sprawled out in the road at her feet. It was a human form, terribly mangled. She gave it one dazed, swift look, and continued to inquire for the home of the minister; and it chanced, after a while, that fortune was kind.

"You have passed the place," said the last man of whom she inquired. "The minister lives in the next block west."

So, as it turned out, she had passed the house twice without knowing it. And small wonder! The structure had been so twisted, torn and defaced by the first dread shock that the minister himself might have passed it by.

The dust driven off by falling walls had settled, so that

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Sliding Gear Transmission

HE sliding gear is the type of transmission which has been accepted by the large majority of automobile and truck manufacturers. Stripped of technicalities, this type of transmission may be said to consist of a main drive gear, counter and main shafts and their gears. The main drive gear is formed at the end of a shaft which turns with the motor when the clutch is engaged. This gear is permanently in mesh with the large forward gear on the countershaft. With the type of transmission at present considered (three speeds forward and one reverse) there are three gears keyed or otherwise securely fastened to the countershaft. On the main shaft there are two gears which are designed to be slid along and meshed with the gears on the countershaft. The larger of the two sliding gears is used to produce the low and reverse speeds while the smaller gear is for the intermediate and high speeds. The transmission is said to be neutral when the two sliding gears are riding free between their respective engaged positions.

Let us now consider that the operator has

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Main Drive Gear

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gear slid along until it comes into mesh with a larger gear on the countershaft.
For the high speed, the small gear on the main shaft is taken out of mesh with the countershaft gear and is slid forward and in, some manner coupled to the main drive gear so as to make the drive gear and main shaft one continuous shaft.

In some cases the sliding gear has internal teeth, in which case the drive gear is made sufficiently large to leave room for the meshing of the sliding gear.

Again, some transmissions form the high speed by dogs on the sliding and main drive gears. In this instance the gears clutch together to form the continuous shaft. The high gear is often referred to as the direct drive since it will be seen that the countershaft is not used for this speed.

Main Shaft

Countershaft

Countershaft Reverse

Low Speed Gear

Gear

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many hours at a time. However, many new cars are being equipped with thermostats in the cooling system and it is therefore necessary to know that the circulation of the water is complete before covering the hood and radiator and allowing the car to stand. A thermostat is a device placed in the water line to prevent the water in the radiator from circulating around the engine until a certain temperature has been reached. It will therefore be appreciated that although the water around the motor may be quite warm, it is possible for the water in the radiator to be at almost freezing temperature. If the car is equipped with a thermostat, make certain that the motor is run long enough to insure the opening of the thermostat and the circulating of the water in the radiator. If an anti-freeze solution is used it will be unnecessary to warm up the water as above outlined.

Hard Starting

Difficulty in starting is to be expected during the cold weather. It is always a good plan to carry a squirt can filled with high test gasolene as priming the cylinders with this fuel will often effect a start when all other methods fail.

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Let us now consider that the operator has moved the gear shifting lever to the low speed position. His action would cause the larger sliding gear to mesh with the small gear on the countershaft. This condition would cause the main shaft to be revolved considerably slower than the engine and, of course, there would be a great reduction in the speed of the car. In the writer's opinion, most people fail to comprehend the operation of the sliding gear transmission because they believe that the main drive prince as a solid unit. Such is not the case, as will be understood from the description given above. The drive is communicated from the drive pinion to the countershaft and from the countershaft to the main-shaft.

For the intermediate speed, the larger gear on the main shaft is first.

Questions Answered shaft.

For the intermediate speed, of a fuel but in a speed, as a guide for the gasoient on the main shaft is first brought into its neutral position and then the smaller retarded. Also please explain whether rich or lean mixture is best suited to slow speed, and which mixture is best suited to fast engine speed.

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Reverse Siding Gear

Main Shaft

A.—As you undoubtedly already know, the ideal condition is to have the spark take place in the cylinder when the piston passes top center and is just commencing on its downward stroke. You will appreciate that the explosion within the cylinder is extremely hot and with the piston in the position as above related, there will be only a small portion of the cylinder exposed to the intense heat. However, consider the other condition, viz., a late spark. By a late spark we mean that the piston is about a third or a half way down. It is clear that when the explosion takes place with the piston in this position a considerable portion of the cylinder walls is exposed to the hot test when the explosion occurs and they gradually cool as the expansion takes place. Another objectionable feature of a late spark is that the retarded explosion of the flaire will be forced through the exhaust valves, causing corrosion and warped stems. The safest policy to follow is to carry the spark to the farthest advance point without causing the motor to labor and knock. Whether it is a high or low speed motor, in order to have full power and insure the best results there must be a mixture of gasolene properly proportioned to the air. If you will give the matter a little thought, you will probably realize that most of the motor to labor and knock. Whether it is a high or low speed motor, in order to have rull power and insure the best results there must be a mixture of gasolene properly proportioned to the air. If you will give the matter a little thought, you will probably realize that most of the motor to labor and knock. Whether it is a high or low speed motor, in order to have any around the spray needle. However, the same to the drawn around the spray needle. However, the same the bed arway around the spray needle. However, the same the bed arway around the spray needle. However, the same the fuel and air so as to maintain the proportion. The great requirement of a carburetor is to mix the fuel and ai ILIUSTRATES OPERATION OF SLIDING GEAR.

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Poultry

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then the hover which accompanies the stove brooder is so large and deep that even five hundred chicks have plenty of room to spread out, and a constant circulation of well warmed air during the nights. So I advise our readers to save their money at first, use fireless brooders in a warm room until they are in a position to hatch a hundred chicks at one time, and then to invest in a coal burner brooder which can be placed in any house which is not less than ten feet square. The question of chimney need not be considered, as the pipe can go through the roof or side wall. We cut a hole in the back wall of a house 12x20, put up two posts on the outside 12 inches apart, with a flat stone resting on the top ends, to make a support for a piece of tile which is run through the tile, all space between the pipe and the tile being tilled with cement. On the outside of the house one elbow and two lengths of tile made a perfectly good, safe smokestack. The stove, hover, regulating device and thermometer are all covered by thirty dollars. So you see it is not a heavy outlay, and it means raising strong, good chicks. But you must remember that sufficient strength cannot be put into chicks after they are hatched.

Parent birds must be fully developed, active and soundly healthy; otherwise their offspring

Parent birds must be fully developed, active and soundly healthy; otherwise their offspring cannot inherit such qualities. What is more, a hen must be supplied with food containing the elements from which bone and muscle are made, or her eggs cannot contain them. A strong germ may develop into a weak chick for want of the right kind of sustenance during the period of incubation.

incubation.

Select only the largest, brightest hens for the breeding pens. Reject any which have shown signs of illness at any time of their lives. When signs of illness at any time of their lives. When eggs are the main point, only the best layers should be selected. Be just as particular about the male birds. From seven to twelve birds are enough for one flock. If you haven't the coops, or a long house divided into compartments with accompanying yards, and can't divide your birds into small flocks, adopt the alternating plan. Keep several male birds in a house and yard separated from the hens, and let only one run with the hens at a time, alternating them every day or every week, according to the number of hens. For example, if I were compelled to keep fifty hens in one flock, I would keep seven male birds, and let each one in turn run with the

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a quart of oil every twenty-four hours. So for five hundred chicks, at the end of three weeks, it would take two and a half gallons of oil per day. And then, the time it takes each day to fill, clean and regulate the flame of ten lamps. Time is a very serious consideration, especially in the busiest season, when every moment is of the greatest value. But setting aside the value of fuel and time, the coal burning brooder has two paramount advantages, in my estimation. First: safety from fire. The stove is built with such a tight firebox and ash receiver, and has such a deep, solid base, that all danger of accident is eliminated, and we all know that lamp heaters of any description are prone to develop unaccountable kinks. Wicks will occasionally burn unevenly, and run up, and create soot to cause trouble, no matter how careful one is about trimming and cleaning.

The second advantage, the absence of all smell. Go into the house or room where two or three lamp burners are working; the air is vitlated and lifeless. Every living thing needs oxygen. Baby chicks are no exception. The brooder for the stove that burns coal warms the air, but does not eat up its life-giving qualities. And

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incubator, evaporation will be retarded, and there her nest. Rats often scare a hen into leaving her nest when she is sitting outside, or another hen may fight her when trying to claim the nest to lay in. In fact, there are, of course, numerous accidental causes for the hens getting off the nest during the last forty-eight hours, when they should sit undisturbed.

Perhaps the most frequent cause of chicks dying in the shell when eggs are set under hens; the owner's anxiety to help things along. During the last thirty-six hours, it is imperative that all the warmth and moisture generated by the developing chicks and the body of the henshould be retained in the nest, and if some one is perpetually lifting the hen from the eggs to take away hatched chicks or see what is happening, much of the moisture is allowed to escape, and the last two or three eggs fail to hatch, though they often contain fully developed chicks. An extremely dry season generally brings lots of complaints about chickens dying in the shell. The best way to combat adverse conditions is to remove broody hens from the chicken house and set them in clean nests in a house or shed which can be closed so that a quantity of whole corn and clean water can be left in readiness for Biddy to feed herself with whenever she comes off of the nest. It is well also to put a shallow box of fine coal ashes in the house where the hens are sitting, so that they can dust themselves every time they leave the nest. If it is a dry season, sprinkle water on the floor of the house every two or three days. When it comes to hatching time, listen, and if you hear any peeping in the morning, restrain your curiosity until late at the evening, then carefully slip your hand under the hen and remove as many dry chicks and broken egg shells as you can find easily and in a short space of time. It won't hurt to leave one or two chicks under a fire.

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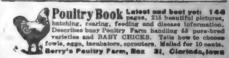
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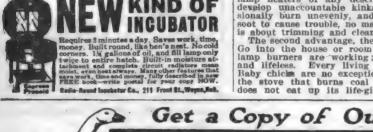




hen, but don't make the mistake of going to the other extreme of leaving nests entirely alone, because if you do, you are very apt to find chicks crushed or dead.

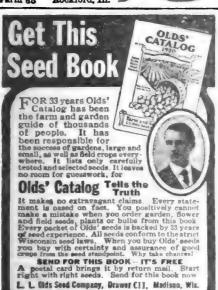
The next day, leave things to nature until late in the afternoon; then remove the hen to a brood coop, and give her the chicks which are hatched, for if there are any still in the shell, they will be too weak to amount to anything if hatched later.

When the incubator has been used, the cause for chicks dying in the shell is usually want of proper ventilation, or the heat running down, or the door being opened during the last forty-eight hours. Ventilation can be beet gauged by the appearance of the air cell when the egg is held before the tester. The so-called air cell is the space at the large end of the egg. In a newly laid egg it is very small. After the egg has been in the incubator for seven days, there is quite a visible space, and as evaporation progresses, it increases until the nineteenth day, when it should occupy one fifth of the entire shell. If there is not sufficient ventilation in the incubator, evaporation will be retarded, and there will not be sufficient ventilation in the chick to twist its head round and break its way out; and it will die, though fully developed. If the development of the air cell is fun slow.















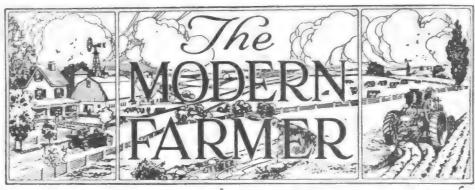
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FRIEND of ours who had his big garden patch heavily fertilized, deeply plowed and well poliverized at considerable expense, talked loud and long of the great crops of vegetables he was going to raise. He had might have a large garden and immense supplies of green stuff, roots, fruits and flowers, and he certainly made a good start in the preparation of the soil. But then he made a terrible mistake and one that thousands of other men make each year, on a large or small scale, for he bought his supply of seeds from a marked down stock at prices that seemed most attractive as displayed in a grocery store window.

The price asked for the seed was a low one, compared with that charged by the professional seedsman on a nearby street, but it was tremendously high, in fact, and our friend found his investment a most expensive one as the days and weeks went by and weeds proved practically the only crop in his garden. For the grocer's stock of old, shopworn, "job lot" seeds was worthless. Few of them came through the ground, and those that managed to struggle up failed to make a vigorous or healthy growth. Had they matured, it is onte likely to a vigorous or healthy growth. Had they matured it is onte likely to a vigorous or healthy growth. Had they matured it is onte likely to a vigorous or healthy growth. Had they matured it is onte likely to a vigorous or healthy growth. Had they matured it is onte likely to a vigorous or healthy growth. Had they matured it is onte likely to a vigorous or healthy growth. Had they had the number of the cows and the number of super hung up in the barn or in some other convenient place on which is recorded the names of the cows and the number of even as simple dairy cow can sake a vigorous or healthy growth. Had they had the number of the cows and the number of super hung up in the barn or in some other convenient place on which is recorded the names of the cows and the number of super hung up in the barn or in some other cows and the number of super basis and sauces. The dillals. The st

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No garden is complete without there is a place in it for the herbs which our grandmothers made so much use of and of which the modern house-wife should learn the value for garnishing, flavor-ing and for making cordials.

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the feed.

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It isn't necessary to use the test every day or even every month, for that matter. Feed does not affect the test. Neither does weather or care affect it greatly. Poor health or bad conditions are about the only things which affect the test. A cow's fat test is "born in her," and once determined it changes little from month to month, or year to year. A high-testing heifer will be a high-testing cow, and a "low-test" heifer is pretty certain to develop into a "low-test" ow. It is only necessary then to determine the test of a cow at a few different times during the year. The average of these can usually be taken as her average test. Multiplying the total amount of milk recorded on the milk sheet by the average test will give you the true value of the cow as a producer for any given period.

How the Test Varies

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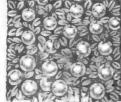
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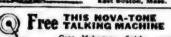
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Driven Apart

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despite her stony fortitude, every sense was now strangely on the alert.

She observed how the upper part of the front wall of the minister's dwelling had fallen outward, covering the approach to the door with a heap of broken timbers. With critical eye she selected the best path across this mound of debris, and her step quickened with her eagerness to be over the barrier and within the house. Just as she was on the point of turning from the littered sidewalk her course was barred by a tube of shining steel.

"There is danger in the house, young lady," said a voice. "You must not go farther."

She turned with a gasp, and beheld a man in regimental blue, surveying her with firm but kindly eyes.

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"Ah, do not stop me!" she begged. "The one I loved best in all the world was in that house when the shock came!"

The soldier marveled at her loveliness, at the marble beauty of her face.

"There is no one in there now, miss," said he gently. "Or, if there is—" He paused, for something deep in her eyes forbade his wounding her with what he was about to say.

She sank to her knees, and caught at one of his hands.

"Do not, do not stop me!" she whispered. "If the one I seek is dead, I pray Heaven that the walls may crush me down at his side."

The soldier was touched.

"I'm sorry, miss," he returned, "but I am stationed here to keep everyone from entering the buildings in this block. The peril is great, and—" He was interrupted by a crash as part of the wall of the next building tumbled over upon the rear part of the minister's ruined house. "You see how it is," he added, with a tightening of the lips.

"I care not for danger," she cried, springing up, "but I cannot rest, I will not know a moment's peace, until I learn my darling's fate."

"Your lover?" he asked.

"My husband!" she answered, straightening her lithe form.

"If you will wait here, miss," said he, gallanity, "I will go in there myself. "Tis hard to deny anything to one so fair."

He turned to set down his rifle and carry out his generous offer, but the moment he turned Beryl bounded past him and over the rugged timbers.

"I cannot send you to danger," said she, with a hallowed sweetness, pausing a moment at the crest of the barrier.

Another moment, and the startled soldier saw her gain the door and vanish within the ruined edifice.

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Although the words were called loudly, Beryl did not hear them. She was in the disordered room which had witnessed the happiest and the bitterest moment of her life. The furniture was overturned and broken; the floor was heaped with debris and thick with plaster which had fallen from the walls. But Neil was not there no one was there!

"Neil, my husband! Where are you?"

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no one was there!
"Neil, my husband! Where are you?"
Her anguished tones echoed quiveringly through
the room. Heedless of every danger, she ran
from one apartment to another, then up the
stairs to the great, gaping void of the second
floor, cailing, calling, but receiving no response.
To the soldier, waiting outside, she seemed
gone a fearfully long time. Reproaching himself
for his carelessness in letting her pass him, he
was on the point of following when she appeared in the doorway, scaled the barrier lightly,
and was again at his side.
"You found no one?"
She smiled at him vacantly, and there was
such a look on her beautiful face as smoto him
with pity. She turned silently, still with her
gentle, unmeaning smile, and flitted away.
"Wait!" the soldier called.
She paid no heed, and quickly vanished from
the sight of the guard.
"Too bad, too bad!" murmured the man. "But,
in this city, today, there must be hundreds of
cases like hers."

Thereupon, he shook his head sadly, shouldered
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Town Plants 900 Plants

New Bedford, Mass., set out 900 trees last spring and this town claims that it almost holds the record for the number of trees it possesses in proportion to street mileage, according to a report to the American Forestry Association, of Washington, whose campaign for memorial trees for soldlers and sailors was nation-wide and which was registering all such trees. was registering all such trees.



Conducted by Cousin Marion

In writing this department always sign your true name and give your address; if not, your let-ter will receive no attention. Name will not be published.

"I see not a step before me As I tread on another year, But the past is still in God's keeping, The future His mercy shall clear, And what looks dark in the distance May brighten as I draw near."

SN'T that a nice hopeful thought to start the new year with, and you never even suspected I was such a trusting young person as that, did you? Maybe I'm not always trustful of people, though I do give them the benefit of the doubt, but we never have occasion to do that with God, though I feel sure He must have to make all kinds of allowances for us, so let's resolve to be as little bother as possible throughout the coming year, and may it bring all of you that which you wish for most,

which you wish for most.

CURLY HEAD, Ala. —Your thirteen-year-old schoolmate is wrong when she says you are missing half your
life because you do not have a fellow. And your uncle
is wrong, too, when he tells you that as long as you
lore your schoolbooks and music you will never marry.
The educated and accomplished girl should, and generally does, stand a better chance of marrying than
the uneducated, unaccomplished girl, and of holding
her husband's love once she is married. Home is the
best place but don't stay there so closely that you
won't know what to do when among strangers.

HARRY, Okla.—Girls are funny things, aren't they,
Harry, and with the density peculiar to your set you'll
never be able to understand them. Can't you effect a
compromise with this girl of yours? You to stay on
with your work and visit her every few weeks? Or
are you near enough for that! It is difficult for the
average girl to forgive a man for accepting a position
that takes him away from her, even if he earns more
money there and she knows it is better for him. She
wants him to want to be near her and not happy unless he is. Maybe it is her pride and not her love
that is hurt. I've often wondered if it wasn't. Make
sure the other fellow hasn't gotten the inside track before you give up a good position for her sake. You
can get another girl easily enough. You don't know
that you can never be happy without her any more
than you know you could be happy with her. Old
Father Time is the best doctor in the world and heals
more broken hearts than he can count.

Brown Eyes and Blue Eyes, of Gloryland.—A girl
of fourteen may wear a coat suit provided it is some-

BROWN EYES AND BLUE EYES, of Gloryland.—A girl of fourteen may wear a coat suit provided it is something simple and girlish.—Norfolks are particularly good, but she shouldn't wear high heels. (2) Either is correct.

Miss C., Indiana.—It is quite the proper thing to trust to Providence but I rather think you are overdoing it when you contemplate marrying a man who lets his old maid sister decide just what he shall do and who expects to have you do as she says. Have it definitely understood before you marry him that you are to be mistress in your own home and boss of your husband if anyone is to boss him.

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G. Montana.—The man who just "hints" about marriage is no kind of a sport at all. He plays a safe bet all the time but it leaves the girl in rather an uncertain position. She is "neither fish nor fowl nor good red herring" or, in other words, she hasn't the freedom of an unengaged girl nor the rights of an engaged one, and the man, after monopolizing the best years of her life to the exclusion of some other man who would have married her, is free to walk away and leave her. You are young yet and can well afford to wait a while longer, but if he shows no disposition to ask you outright to be his wife, don't waste too much time on him.

Mary, W. Vs.—A great many happy marriages have

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MARY, W. Va.—A great many happy marriages have been founded on respect alone but whether it is as well to marry without love as with love I cannot say. That would depend upon the persons themselves and to circumstances to a great extent. I'd rather marry without love and with respect than love without respect, but the ideal combination would be love and respect, so why not wait until you find it? Marry someone you would like if you didn't love him.

QUESTION BOX, California.—It may have been all right for thirteen-year-old girls to have attended a nightshirt parade (I don't know whether they are respectable or not) but it was all wrong for them to go with some fellows to a town thirty miles distant and not get home until after midnight. California mothers must be careless indeed. You are only thirteen years old, no matter if you are as large as a girl of eighteen, and you should behave as nice little girls of thirteen should behave. Acting on your theory, I suppose if an eighteen-year-old girl were very small she should have bread and milk for supper and go to bed at seven? Your letter shows more brains than your questions would indicate.

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A BUCKEYE GIRL.— I can understand about how you feel but I rather hesitate to advise you because I do not know you or your fiance and doubtless I'd hesitate just as much if I did. This giving advice for or against marriage is, in the majority of cases, an awful responsibility. Offhand, I should say that a girl of eighteen should never marry a man of thirty-six, particularly when she regards him more as a father than a lover. On the other hand, he might be so kind and good to her that she would be happier married to him than to a younger fellow who wouldn't be so kind even though she loved him more than she did the older man. An equal amount of love on both sides is the ideal combination but it doesn't always happen that way and you'll have to decide for yourself whether you'd be happier to love your husband more than he loved you or just the reverse. The selfash old-maid side of me would choose the latter, but do as you think best.

Malie, N. C.—Looking at the question from a senti-

MAZIE, N. C.—Looking at the question from a senti-mental viewpoint, you should continue to wear your engagement ring on the engagement finger even though your fance died in service. But if you do it will tend, or should anyway, to keep other men away who might become interested in you if they thought you were free.

TEODY, Ky.—I should think from your description that you should wear your dresses nearly to your shoetops, but have them girlish, one-piece dresses and do your hair in a simple manner, preferably down your back, and don't dress old just because you are larger than the average girl of your age. Your letter was very well written and you seem to be a sensible girl. I almost said "little girl."

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Mickey, W. V.—It would be all right to forgive him and give him another chance if you want to, but don't take him back if he strays again. That would be a bad habit for a husband to have.

EULA, Texas.—If I knew a safe and sure method of winning a man's love you don't suppose I'd be an old maid, do you? Why, I'd have six husbands anyway. (2) "What is the cheerfulest subject to take on when you are out with your fellow?" There are a number of cheerful things to talk about, but ar interesting subject—to the man—la, to let him talk about himself. The dear things love to do it; it bores one to death sometimes but it is the surest way of making men think you are interesting.

ANNIE, S. C.—Hope chests are like grab-hags, they can contain almost anything. It would be well to start with the necessary articles for a home, such as quilts, sheets and pillow cases, plain or embroidered, towels—bath, guest, dish and all other varieties. Crocheted or tatted dollies and centerpleces and dresser scarfs and silver and dishes all belong there. Start in anywhere and you will be all right.

Choms, Texas.—Your letter was received too late for me to answer your first question in time to be of service but in case it comes up again I'll tell you that in my opinion you are too young to go to dances with boys even if they are "sure cute" and have automobiles. That's a combination hard to resist, I know. It would be all right for girls your age, or any age, to paint. The length of your skirt's should be determined by your size, but don't wear 'em too short. (3) What does it mean when a boy winks and smiles at you at the same time? Are you sure he didn't wigge his ears? He didn't? Well, well, that's too bad. If he had, it would have been a sure sign that he was madly in love with you. Now I fear he isn't.

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Mrs. C., Okla.—Well, aren't you the spineless creature! Do you think for a minute if I were a pretty young wife of seventeen that I'd sit down and cry because my forty-year-old husband talked about the pretty girls he had seen during the day? I should say not. I'd smilingly agree that she was a very pretty girl and that beauty ran in the family because she had the nicest looking brother, cousin, father or grandfather that I had ever seen, and the nicest dressed, etc., etc. For every nice thing he said about some girl I'd say something much nicer about some man who is better looking than he is. That ought to cure him.

Hilds, Ind.—Your woman friend has no right in-flicting such cynical views upon your young mind, simply because she had been unfortunate in her ex-periences with men. A great many men are untrue to their wives, but don't let anyone make you believe that all of them are. (2) From your description I think your friend must be an exceptionally fine fellow.

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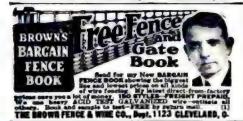
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taken from the entire milking, thoroughly mixed, never milked directly into the test bottle. If the farmer will bear those two things in mind and test his cows occasionally to get their fat test and then use it in connection with the milk sheet, he can soon have a herd of high-producing cows.

Full Feeding for Dairy Cows

The state of the can soon have a herd of high-producing cows.

Readers of Composit have been advised many times that if one is to get from a dairy cow a maximum production of milk and butter fat content she must be adequately fed. The general rule to that end is to feed at least one pound of a properly composed concentrated feed ration for each three or four pounds of milk produced daily, and somewhat more if the milk is very rich in butter fat. Many farmers, on the contrary, feed just enough to keep the cow alive through the winter and she generally comes out thin and weak in spring. A cow so underfed may produce some milk and the amount yielded is accounted a profit by the owner. That is a poor way of fixuring in the dairy business. If only pass to keep and feed cows that are break to proceed a large amount of milk and butter that are to so feed such cows that the maximum positive factions may bluff the cow, but they also cheat the dairyman of the profit he should have from her entire may be factionally the companient of the farmers feed properly, the Wisconsin College of Agriculture. Extension Division, has sent out a most useful and practical little on cular on the subject of dairy cow management and feeding and from it we take the following tense of interest and instruction:

In addition to the concentrated feed mentioned, a dairy cow requires 30 pounds of roots and inferen pounds of hay, or 30 pounds of roots and inferen pounds of hay, or 30 pounds of roots and inferen pounds of they, or 20 pounds timothy, pearire, or marsh hay with one to two pounds of clover or alfalfa hay, or 20 pounds timothy, pearire, or marsh hay with one to two pounds of clover or alfalfa hay, or 20 pounds timothy, pearire, or marsh hay with one to two pounds of clover or alfalfa hay, or 20 pounds timothy, pearire, or marsh hay with one to two pounds of clover or alfalfa hay, or 30 pounds, and oil-meal, 100 pounds, and oil-meal, 100 pounds, or ground oats, 200 pounds. Or ground oats, 200 pounds. When fed with silage and good clover

Saving Feed

Feed is worth too much to waste, yet how often do we see farmers wasting feed! Perhaps wasting it without even giving a thought to its value. Or else, they waste it because they think they cannot afford the necessary buildings or equipment to save it. Or they waste it because they haven't time, or think they haven't time, to harvest it properly.

Wasting Corn.—One great waste is the corn that is left on the ground after cutting with a binder. This binder always knocks off a great many ears which should be picked up and fed to stock. If the field is so that hogs can be turned in, which is often the case where the corn has been cut into the silo—hogs will clean up this waste. If not, then the corn should be picked up. There is no other way where the hired man can earn so good wages for the farmer as in picking up this corn.

Another way that corn is badly wasted on many farms is in feeding it to hogs. It is thrown into the mud and rooted over and tramped in—and lost. Hogs ought to have a table to eat on just like other folks, where their food will be kept clean. A good feeding floor can be made of planks, rough side up to prevent hogs from slipping in wet weather, but the best feeding floor for hogs is made of concrete with a rim around the edge to prevent the corn from being pushed off into the mud.

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SELF-FEEDERS.—The use of self-feeders is a good way to save feed. If properly constructed the hogs or other animals help themselves. Of course, self-feeders can only be used where it is intended that the animals are to have all the feed they want. By the use of self-feeders, however, every bit of the feed removed from the feeder is eaten. What is left over remains inside the feeder. None is wasted. If hand fed it often happens that the left-over feed is entirely wasted.

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KEEP FEED UNDER COVER.—If possible, feed should be kept under cover. It is not a good plan to feed daily from the stack, since rain and snow always spoil a good deal of the feed. If feed is taken from the stack to feed it is the best plan to cut down the stack clear to the bottom and haul the "cut" into the barn or put it some place upder cover so that none will be wasted by weather. Straw and corn-stalks, while much cheaper feeds, are less wasted if kept under cover while feeding. It is a very wasteful plan to let cattle run to the straw stack as much straw is pulled out and tramped into the ground around the stack. Corn fodder should be hauled and put under cover in a dry time when the stalks are perfectly dry. If they are left standing in the field they rot in wet weather and if they are put into the barn when damp they mold under cover. Stalks should be kept dry when feeding in order to avoid waste.

Sweeping Up.—Much feed is wasted on many farms because it isn't kept "swept up." Very dry alfalfa will scatter badly. The dry leaves that break off in feeding are the best of feed, about the equal of bran pound for pound. This should never be wasted. Keep the feeding floor swept and give the sweeping to pigs and chickens. Alfalfa sweepings are the inest feed in the world to make hens lay.

The same care should be used in sweeping the feeding trough after feeding bran or other mill feeds. The hogs will eat what the cows leave if given a chance. Have you ever stopped to think that there is no kind of concentrated feed that now costs less than two cents a pound? At present quotations, farm grains are worth nearly three cents a pound, and a pound isn't much. It pays to save the sweepings.

Overfeeding. Agood deal of rough feed is wasted by overfeeding. Stock is given more than it will clean up. In other words, it is overfed. After hay or other rough feed has been onc

to save feed.

Legumes-Lime-Livestock

This has been chosen as a slogan in many parts of the country—But why legumes? And if legumes, why lime? And what relation do they both bear to livestock?

Perhaps it would be clearer to state it the other end to: Livestock—Legumes—Lime.

A NATION OF MEAT EATERS.—We are a nation

of meat eaters. If we are to eat meat we must grow it. Only one other country—South Americal casts more meat than we do, and we used to eat more than we do now.

In the Argentine the average meat consumption per year is nearly three hundred pounds to the person. Here we eat a little over half of that or about one hundred and sixty-five pounds a person or not quite half a pound a day. Some European countries consume less than a pound a week per person. How does it happen that we ent so much meat? And why is this consumption growing less?

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The answer is simple. Most everybody likes meat and when meat is cheap much is caten. Cheap land means cheap meat. High-priced land means dear meat with small meat consumption.

China a Good Example.—Land is high priced in China. Population is dense and every foot is needed to raise food for human beings. Hence little meat can be grown, and consequently little can be eaten. Give us time enough and we will reach the same condition unless we devise better systems of farming. What we need first is quick-growing, easily fattened livestock to keep up our meat supply. Only a minimum of grain fit for human food should be fed to livestock. We need to make our meat as quickly and as cheaply as we can make it.

an make it. more dependent upon legumes—such as beans, soy beans, clover and alfalfa. Fedstock, legumes produce rapid, rangy healthy it. They make quick growing meat. Hence, ory livestock farm we need quick growing le feed both for dairy cattle and for meat

LIME?-On old farms that have long will LIME?—On old farms that have long mised crops, legumes do not grow well. The oll has become sour from continuous cropping. This sour soil must be sweetened before legumes will grow on it. Lime is a soil "sweetener." Not urned lime but ground lime rock. When this a applied to sour soils legumes are grown, live-tock can also be grown rapidly and cheap meat centles. Hence the slogan, Legumes—Lime—amestock.

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Questions and Answers

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How to Feed Pros.—I will thank you to answer the following questions: (4) About how much feed is required to feed and fatten a pig from weaning time until it weighs 250 pounds, provided the pig is thrifty and is fed on corn, oats and bluegrass pasture? (2) I have 120 bushels of corn and 20 bushels of oats. How many pigs can I feed and fatten to weigh 200 pounds on this quantity of grain? (3) How much corn and oats are required to feed a sow pig from weaning until she weighs 200 pounds and have her in good condition for breeding?

R. M. Coldwater, Mich.

A.—If pig has a little skim milk to go with the grain feed, it will take from three to four pounds of grain for each pound of grain. You ought to raise a pig from weaning to 250 pounds weight if kept growing steadily, on 10 bushels each of corn and oats with a quart or two of skim milk a day. Four bushels of oats to twelve bushels of corn would be a better combination. (2) On the basis that it takes four-pounds of grain to make one pound of pork, you ought to feed and fatten from nine to ten pigs on this amount. With skim milk and pasture in addition, you should be able to raise from 10 to 12 pigs on this. (3) A good brood sow should have skim milk and pasture with some protein-rich feed like middings, oil meal, or tankage. She will not need so much grain. Two or three bushels of corn in addition to the above will be sufficient. As a general rule, it is safe to figure one pound of grain for each four pounds of feed fed to pigs under 200 pounds.

Roots for Horses.—Kindly tell me whether carrots and potatoes are good feed for horses, and, if so, how they should be fed. Mas. M. A. M., Olney, Mont. A.—Carrots are the best of all roots for a horse. Wash them clean and feed them whole or sliced. Start slow and watch the bowels. Do not allow enough to make the bowels too loose. Too many carrots fed suddenly may cause colic or scours. Raw potatoes are good for clearing worms from the bowels of colts, but seem to have little feeding value for horse

Soy Beans as Green Vegetables.

Habto soy beans, introduced from Japan, are excellent for the production of green beans similar to lima and butter beans. About 115 days are required for the bean to make sufficient growth for use as a green vegetable. Although the Habto bean is best adapted for growing in the southern states, it may also be successfully produced as a green vegetable during favorable seasons throughout the corn belt, according to specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture. Being a bush variety, it also is adapted for forage producton, its yield of green feed or seed being superior to many other varieties on the market. In a dry form the Habto bean cooks up easier than other varieties and has a better flavor. This bean is to be grown extensively by boys' and girls' gardening clubs in the southern states during the coming season.

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not be so good as Iowa, Nebraska or other states far-ther north. (4) Skunk farming would surely be mor-prefitable in Texas than for farming. It is doubtful it the black, silver, cross, etc., could be raised sur-cessfully in Texas at all. They inhabit the colder latitudes. (5) There is no telling whether furs will remain as high as now for eight or ten years. The best one can 60—even with the well informed—is to guess. (6) Silver for are found in the U. S. It i-not unusual to take both this and black in Wisconsin, Maine, Michigan and nearby territory. The animals are most numerous in Canada and Alaska.

B. B., Ohlo.—Ground bog skins have no value with fur firms and cannot be sold to any concern, so far as the writer knows.



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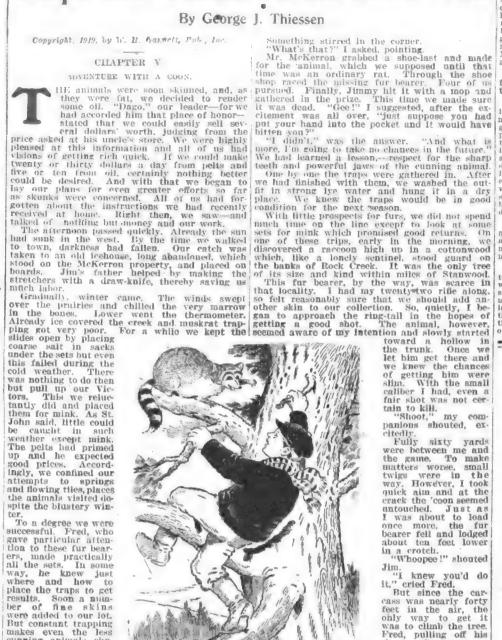
in the bones. Lowe Already ice covered the ping got very poor. slides open by placing coarse sait in sacks under the sets but even this faiked during the cold weather. There was nothing to do then but pull up our victors. This we reluctantly did and placed them for mink. As St. John said, little could be caught in such weather except mink. The pelts had primed up and he expected good prices. Accordingly, we confined our attempts to springs and flowing tiles, places the animals visited despite the blustery winter.

panions shouted, excitedly.
Fully sixty yards were between me and the game. To make matters worse, small twigs were in the way. However, I took quick aim and at the crack the 'coon seemed antouched. Just as I was about to load once more, the fur bearer fell and lodged about ten feet lower in a crotch.
"Whoopee!" shouted

Skunk trapping was not to be thought of at this time. With snow two feet deep, the animals had denned up and did not run. Only once in a while did we discover a track. I was for digging the animals out but after trying the frozen ground with pick and spade, gave up the attempt.

Next morning we caught but one fur bearer, a small mink. Jim stunned it with a club and then drowned it—or thought he did. When life seemed to be extinct, he put the carcass in his coat pocket and started for home. On reaching it, he threw his clothes into a corner of the went to get the animal, we found it gone.

"That's funny," Fred said. "We must have lost it on the way in. I'll go back and—""



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D. B., Miss.—It is a hard matter to say whether birds or flesh—and by flesh I presume you mean beef muskrat carcases, etc.—are best for opossum. Both give good results at places and times when properly employed. A study of attractors reveals the fact that the fur bearers are much like people; what one species likes at a particular place or time may be unsuited at another. Constant experiments are necessary to draw the fur bearers to best advantage. The paste lines offered by the various fur firms and concerns are excellent also. No one can positively state exactly what is best for opossum or any other animal, strictly specifing, so far as decays are concerned. Other good balts are smoked and fresh fish, salmon canned or sardines put up in oil. C. A., Nebraska —It is reasonable to suppose that muskrats if not caught or molested will continue to use a burrow for a number of years. Constant changes, to doubt, will be made from time to time to accommodate conditions. Mas. H. W., West Virginia.—Any furrier or custom tanner should be able to do the work. The cost will be from eight to fifteen dollars. Kinds of lining, style in making up and other things enter into the matter. The very latest style, head mounting, etc., including tanning of skin, etc., costs \$13.50 or about this much. You should obtain a style catalog from the one who is to do the work so as to select the kind of neckplece wanted.



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Questions Answered

Mss. A. W., GA.—There are various tanning preparations offered by mail-order concerns. The beginner

ity considered. Big money will be made by pelt hunt ers in practically every rural community.

Mas. A. W., Ga.—There are various tanning preparations offered by mail-order concerns. The beginner, however, generally spoils too much fur before he learns just how to cure his skins. Prices of petts are too high nowadays to risk them with home preparations. Let some good tanner do the work. The expense is small and in this way one can obtain furs which make up well into garments. Will give you recipe for preparing fox and other small skins if you insist but think you make a mistake if you attempt tanning at home. Should the petts be desired to ashp to some fur firm, do not tan at all. Simply stretch and dry in a cool place where there is plenty of air.

C. B., Wis.—The reader who inquires whether it would pay to trap in the southeastern part of Wiscensian should be assured that the state as a whole is the best in the country for animals, number and qual-

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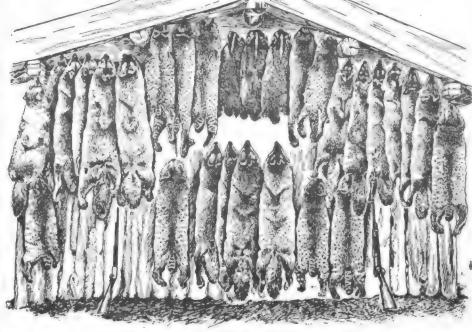
Letters and Photographs from **COMFORT Trappers**

Nevada Trappers

We began trapping last season about November 10, and trapped until March 20, 1919. Our catch consisted of 18 coyotes, 35 lynx cats, 8 badgers and 4 civet cats. We used about 30 No. 3 traps and used jack rabbit for bait. All the furs we got were salable. The coyotes averaged about \$8.00 apiece, the lynx cats about \$8.00 apiece, the lynx cats about \$8.00 apiece, the lynx cat we caught measured, when stretched and dry, 51 inches from the end of its nose to the end of its tail. It was the

\$98.43. Don't you think that is pretty good for a little 11-year-old boy?

ANDY BLAND, Kansas.



PART OF THE CATCH OF TWO NEVADA TRAPPERS.

largest lynx cat that had ever been caught around here. The fur was a beauty. Coyotes began to get prime in this section about October 20, lynx cats not much before January 1. Badgers are not prime until about the first of January but they stay prime longer than any other fur in the spring, sometimes up to May.

In trapping lynx cats, it is always best to make the set on the south end or side of cliffs or rocks. The best bait is rabbit. Fasten the bait securely to a bush, rock or tree. Then make a corral around the rabbit about 3 feet by 3 feet and about 3 or 4 feet high, of brush or limbs. Leave an opening 12 or 14 inches wide. Procure a large stone, flat on one side. Lay the stone just a little out from the opening and set the trap just inside the corral next to the stone and a little lower. Cover with underbrush or broken up cedar bark. The idea of the stone is to keep the animal from scratching and uncovering the trap. Always fasten the trap to a stick about 5 feet long and about 4 inches in thickness. Fasten the chain in the middle of the stick. By doing this way, the animal will never break the chain and get away with the trap.

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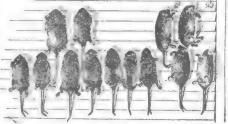
Earns Money Trapping for College Education

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I entered the trapping season last fall with the determination of making enough money, to go to college on this summer, out of school hours. I have succeeded fairly well. I started out with about 30 traps, and trapped mostly for skunk and puskraf

and muskrat.

Altogether I have caught 204 muskrat, 19
skunk, 5 opossum and several weasel. I find
that trapping muskrat is the most profitable, as

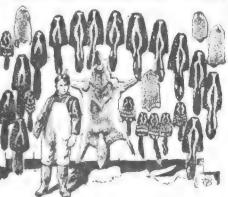


they are easily caught and easily handled.
My favorite method of catching muskrat is
setting traps at their runways. I never set at
the den as it causes them to become wary after

am sending a photograph of my first ten C. DALE KNIGHT. Indiana.

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one muskrat and seven civet cais.

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Most of the furs I caught have been trapped at their holes. A good way to keep the traps from being frozen to the ground is to put a piece of rabbit fur or a piece of cotton under the trap. Another way to trap skunk is to build a three-cernered, pen with a narrow entrance at one side. Set a trap at the entrance. Tainted meat is best for bait. The bait should be placed inside the pen. The pen should be covered to keer the crows from getting the bait.

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myself.

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VIVIAN, Williston, N. D.—Suspenders are a most respectable article of dress, and we do not think the habit of wearing them should disqualify this young man who is paying you attention—and particularly when he is otherwise of the sort that everyone thinks you are "lucky to have." It is only of late years that belts have taken such a prominent part in manly attire and have so largely replaced the humble but more comfortable "gallus." It is very certain that Abraham Lincoln wore suspenders, such as you despise, to hold up the presidential trousers, and that he did not write the Emancipation Proclamation, nor make his famous Gettysburg Address, with an uncomfortable half-inch leather strap buckled tightly about his waist. However, if you think this young man is too neglectful of his dress, why not drop a gentle hint or two? You should be able to do this safely and pleasantly. But take our word for it that a kind and honest heart is worth more than the illusive pleasure given by any glass of fashion or mould of form. (2) Your spelling is correct and your handwriting good.

Pug Nose, Belton, S. C.—There is probably nothing

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PUG Nose, Belton, S. C.—There is probably nothing in your own conduct to cause these various boys to come and go in their attentions to you. It is simply that they are young and fickle—just as you are doubtless fickle and young. And you should know very well that at seventeen you should not be wishing any steady "sweetheart." There will be time enough for you to find some admirer more stable during the next year or two. (2) You may say a simple "Thank you" to anyone who offers to hitch your horse for you when you are at church or elsewhere.

R. H., Wainut Ridge, Ark.—Most certainly you may wear your wedding ring without an engagement circlet ater your marriage. Although it is not required, the initials of the bride and groom and the date of the ceremony may be engraved inside of the wedding ring. But we think this rather an unnecessary trouble and expense.

DOLLY DIMPLES, Wyo.—You may do as you like re-

DOLLY DIMPLES, Wyo.—You may do as you like regarding offering your hand when a young man is introduced to you. We think it is more pleasant and cordial to shake hands, although etiquette does not require that this be done.

K. B., Mt. Olivet, Ky.—It would be very foolish to give up your friendship with a boy because other boys do not like him for no other reason than that he is too good looking. If you like him, you should have mind enough of your own to stand by him. (2) If any young man is so foolish as not to know that you are too young to marry at sixteen—why we think that it would be safe to enlighten film by telling him this.

it would be safe to enlighten film by felling him this.

E. B., Muncy, Penn.—There are no set phrases for occasions of the sort you mention. You may respond, "I am very glad to have met you," or you may only give a bow, a smile and a handshake.

HOPFI, Swifton, Ark.—Your difficult complexion will probably clear itself as you grow older. You can help by avoiding sweets and pastry; by drinking plenty of water, and by bathing often. Every night before retiring, wash your face carefully with warm water and some mild pure scap and dry gently with a soft towel.

(2) Wear your hair back from your forchead in simple schoolgiri fashion.

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SWEET SIXTEEN, Bonnerdale, Ark.—We have no hesitation in saying that in these days of high prices, a boy with a "lot of money" would be more desirable as a husband than one without—other qualities being about equal. However, we are sure that any boy with this "lot of money" would want a wife with a lot more spelling book experience than you seem to have, and we advise you to take a little time from all of these boys that are flocking to see you and spend this time on your lessons.

time on your lessons.

E. R., Cal.—In the introduction the lady's name should come first; for instance, "Miss Blank, I want to present Mr. Dash." In the case where a young lady is brought for introduction to a couple who are standing together, the introduction between the two ladies is first made and the gentleman is then presented in his turn. (2) In leaving a restaurant or ice-cream parlor it would be correct for a young lady to proceed slowly toward the door while her escort was settling with the cashier, or she may, if she wishes, remain by the man while the bill is being paid.

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Honest Maid, Clay City, Ky.—When on the street, a gentleman is always supposed to walk on the side of the lady which is nearest the curb; the idea being that, he can thus protect her from street traffic, mud, etc. Indoors, at receptions and other affairs, a gentleman places himself where he can, if need arise, offer his left arm. (2) If you know a "charming boy" you wish to have like you, we can only advise you to be as much of a "charming girl" as possible.

Sweetis, Holly Springs, Miss.—If this man told your cousin that he "was thinking of marrying you," this is probably as near as you can get to any information on the subject from one you say is so habitually "close-mouthed." You will have to take into consideration his reputation as a filtr. You do not draw a very encouraging picture of him as a future husband, and we are sure that a man who is a filtr price us and bad tempered is hardly good material from which to build a happy married life. Perhaps your parents are justified in their dislike of him. Do not let him think that he can make you do all that he wishes or that you care too much for him, and possibly this treatment may have a good effect upon bits dispessition. But red-haired men are ant to be possibly this treatment may have a good effect upon his disposition. But red-haired men are apt to be cantankerous creatures and we advise you to go slow.

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I. H., Irvingsville, Ky.—You may receive proper attentions from boys if your parents do not object and it does not interfere with the completion of your education. Your handwriting is correct and legible.

BROWN EYES, Waverly, O.—Our advice is exactly that of your mother who is dead, and we are glad to know that you are sensible enough to realize that she was right. Suppose you simply pass on to these young men what her instructions were to you.

L. R., Grand Rapids, Mich.—It would be the s place to mention when she wished to return. See answer to E. B., Muncy, Penn., in this

E. P., Dunsmith, N. D.—A man should be several years older than the woman he marries. Twelve years, in the case you mention, would not constitute too great a difference in age.

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His Heart's Queen

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just come to light in this city, and is exciting the interest and curiosity of people who have known the parties intimately connected with it. Many years ago Jonas Huntington, a brother of the late Eben Huntington, formerly a wealthy pork-packer of Cincinnati, went to India, presumably to seek his fortune. A few years later it was reported that he was dead, and, as time went on and nothing more was heard either from or of him, the report was credited by his relatives. A few months ago, a prominent lawyer of this place received a package of legal papers from a brother lawyer of London, England, and upon examining them, was astonished to learn that Jonas Huntington did not die in India, as reported, but lived to carry on a prosperous business as a dealer in ivory, for many years. Last year, about this time, he arrived in London, with all his fortune. He was on his way home, to visit his relatives, and to choose his heir, as he had no family of his own. But he was suddenly taken ill just when he expected to sail, and was told that he had not long to live, whereupon he at once made his will, naming Miss Violet Huntington, the younger daughter of his brother, Eben, as his heir, and directing that an old friend, Ralph Middleton, if he were still living, and practicing law, should be the administrator of his estate, which is said to consist chiefly in bonds and legitimate stock to a very large amount.

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Saskatchewan, Canada.

Mrs. W. M. C., South Haven, Mich.—See above answer to E. C. B., South Haven, Mich.

Mrs. J. D., Lafferty, O.—If this girl's father is an American citizen, there would be no difficulty concerning her return to this country from Europe where she now is. It would be well to supply her with a copy of her birth certificate to bring with her. This would avoid any delay with the immigration authorities.

L. P., Iola, Kans.—There is no "government patent attorney." There is, however, a U. S. Patent Office, which can be addressed at Washington, D. C., and from where you may obtain information concerning securing a patent.

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M. M. J., New York.—Most certainly if any composer furnished music for a song poem he would expect to be paid for his work. The price paid such composer would depend upon the length of the song and the reputation of the musician. Ordinarily it would range from ten to a hundred dollars. Also royslity arrangements are often demanded and made. Any song poem should be typewritten and submitted directly by the author to the publisher. Should any publisher purchase verses from you that were afterward made into a song, your name would appear upon the title page of the composition, together with that of the composer. If you arranged to sell the poem outright, it is doubtful if the publisher would agree to any royalty as extra compelisation, although this is done in the case of well-known authors of particularly desirable compositions. This department could not furnish you with the name of any individual composer who might care to collaborate with you. You might get in touch with such persons by placing an advertisement in the columns of one of the periodicals which are read by musicians.

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complex for us to list them here.

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Mas. B. E. M., Yarmouth, Mc.—You should be able to obtain some particulars regarding the death of your orother from the one who was in command of his comany at the time of his death. If you do not know this, you will perhaps get some result by starting an inquiry through the Adjutant General's Office, Washington, b. C. State your brother's company, regiment and division exactly as you gave them to this department and division exactly as you gave them to this department. Also the date of his death and the date you received notification. Ask to be informed, if possible, of the name and address of your brother's company commander.

mander.

R. R. S., Green Ferest, Ark.—Pumpkins may be successfully canned by cutting into small pieces, removing the rind and boiling until soft enough to put through a rather fine colander. Let as much liquid as possible drain off the pumpkin, then reheat until scalding hot, using care not to burn. Place in carefully sterilized glass cans and keep in a dark, cool cellar. Add no sait spice nor sugar to the pumpkin. These may be added when cans are opened for use (2) We cannot tell you where you can obtain the words of "My Mother's Prayer," a poem by W. S. Wheeden. Perhaps some COMPORT reader can aid.

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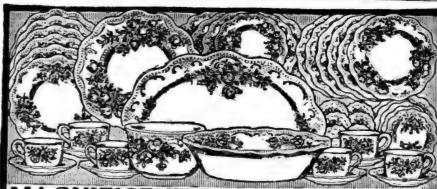
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Miss E. L. G., Olpe, Kansas.—Dryness of the feet and hands, in the main, is due to some lack of innervation of the parts. The salve and glycerine that you have been employing is injurious and contraindicated in every way. Use instead a cold spray to the spine, wear stockings with a slik bottom, massage the feet and take five drops of nux vomica tincture after meals.

Mrs. A. J., Gannett, Idaho.—A cold douche to the spine, with the feet in hot water at the time of douche, will do much to relieve the numbness of the leg. Add to this massage of the back and leg.

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Mas. W. G. B., Cold Springs, N. C.—Have a bunionshoe made to order. The arch support will do no
good. Apply at night to the bunion an ointment of
ichthyol, twenty per cent in strength.

Mas. M. M. J., N. Y.—Your gain in weight, no
doubt, is due to proper food and not to the medicine
mentioned. As to question about cancer, the answer
is—no. Fibroid tumors may return in another part
after removal, but this is not the rule—they are benign
growths. Indigestion can be cured after the cause is
ascertained. Try American oil, in teaspoonful doses,
with your meals, and see that your bowels are free and
regular.

regular.

Miss B. I. S., Rockford, N. C.—Go to any large city, as New York, and you can be treated successfully for the removal of hairs. Done with care, and skillfully, there is no irritation or scar left after removal.

Mas. J. H., Binghampton, N. Y.—For your husband's persistent cough, have him stop smoking at once, and have him spray and gargle the throat with Dobell's solution.

Mas. A. G. P., Tappan, N. Y.—Try one teaspeonful of Jamaica dogwood, in water, after meals, for the painful menstration. For the dandruf, use a two percent solution of resorcin, in water, to which a small amount of grain alcohol has been added.

Mss. W. S., Ruddle, West Va.—Try glycerine or soap suppositories at bedtime for the constipation. Also give the baby teaspoonful doses of milk of magnesia three times a day.

three times a day.

R. S., Curtice, Ohio.—Have your doctor remove them by using the actual cautery.

R. S. K., St. Louis, Mo.—Remove the blackheads with the comedone extractor, and apply at night lotio alba, referred to, in Compour so often. This lotion can be obtained from your local druggist.

MRS. A. J., Soldiers Grove, Wis.—For your itching dandruff and falling hair, fill the hair with raw linseed oil at night; wash out with a tar soap the following morning, and apply to the scalp a two per cent solution of resorcin. Repeat the resorcin every three days.

Miss A. H., Murray Cross, Ala.—Ichthyol ointment any strength can be obtained at any reliable drug ore. We do not send medicines to any one.

Miss G. K., Memphis, Mo.—You are probably somewhat neurotic. Besides, you have the ear trouble and the lump in the breast. Both should be operated on, and at once. Lumps in a woman's breast are always dangerous; and an operation is indicated. If, as you say, you can live on one meal a day and be more confortable than by eating more, do so, and let that meal suffice. You might also take three assafectida pills a day, five grains in strength.

Mas. C. H., Monument, Oregon.—Epilepsy, or petit mal, is, in our judgment, incurable. At best it can only be temporized with and the attacks possibly made to occur less frequently. One of the most important things to look after in a case of this kind is the diet. It should be simple, almost free from meat or nitrogenous foods, also sweets should be avoided in any form. Water should be drunk freely, and the bowels be moved at least two or three times a day. As to the treatment, bromides are indicated. Elixir of the four bromides is a good remedy. This and all medication should be carried on only under the advice and care of the local physician.

B. B., Fulton, Ala.—Try Basham's mixture in tablespoonful doses after meals for your run-down condition caused by over-work. This will build you up and no doubt remove your back pains and, in general, help you.

MRS. E. D. P., Three Lakes, Wash.—Give her com-pound cascara sagrada mixture, three times a day, or often enough to give her a good movement of the bowels. This remedy can be obtained at any drug store.

Miss L. C., Jacksonville, Ala.—For your itching and painful lids, bathe the eyes daily in boric acid solution. One teaspoonful boric acid to the pint of water. Apply at night, to the lids, a little yellow oxide of mercury ointment—one per cent in strength.

oxide of mercury ointment—one per cent in strength.

Mas. W. R., Yucanville, Ohio.—Try, for the extra
weight, the remedles we have so often published in
Compost. A quart of skim milk in divided doses as
follows: One glass in the morning, one at noon, one
at four o'clock and the last glass at night. Use this
diet on alternate days, and, on the other days, live
on a non-starchy diet. Avoid sweets of all kinds.
Dandruff can be cured by using resorcin in sicohol and
water. Use two per cent of resorcin in this solution.
Electric needle is the only remedy for superfluous hair.
Freekles can be removed by applying a solution of
bichloride of mercury to the parts. Both of the above
remedies must be applied and prescribed by your local
doctor. There are several effective corn remedies on
the market.

For all they are so conddent and masterful; men are "only boys grown tall." They are not so hard to please —If you know hew! Often you will hear someone ask: "What do big men see in those tiny fluffy women?" The tiny fluffy women?" The tiny fluffy women have, possibly, the gift of adaptability. They know how to fit into a man's moods—to hearten him when he is glum. Miss F. Vamp, Tiffin, Olio.—American oil and all similar oils come from oil wells. They are reliable and safe to be taken at any and all times. Pure olive oil can, no doubt, be gotten at any wholesale grocery house. Best oil of this nature comes from Italy.

Comfort Sisters' Corner

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 23.)

I do not waste any more paper and ink than is necessary, but I was squatted by my desk, trying to decipher just when it was that I had dropped into the sisters quarters and what I had said about their "Uncle" at 1299 Park Place, Brooklyn, and was about to write severe words to the mailing department of COMFORT, asking them to have Uncle Samuel bring me the October number immediately when the landiady appeared at my room with two copies in separate wrappers and eight seconds later I was wading through the voluminous pages and in forty seconds more found my name in the "Corner" where the sisters meet: and there set up in type was a letter I had written to COMFORT'S Editor.

Bittor.

One thousand is rather a small number of the Comroter readers but if that many will promise ten dollars
each toward Uncle Charlie's Home Fund I will be the
odd fellow and also give ten dollars and will pay same
on demand at any time, any day of the week and at
any hour of the day. Everybody but the baby knows
that there are eleven thousand, eleven hundred and
eleven listed among the subscribers who could give ten
dollars each and forget it in two weeks. Selah.
Furthermore, if it can be done legelly or otherwise
honorably to affix a ten-cent war tax upon every subscriber then I will give the first or last dime according
to order.

to order.

A cousin of the weatherman says there are no slackers among the COMFORT subscribers but all of them have not learned the lesson in the parable of the ten guests who "slumbered and slept."

Mr. Macdonald.—Now aren't you glad you started something? Just look at all the dimes, quarters, dollars and even five dollars, you (and Verne Ellis) were instrumental in bringing to Uncle Charlie. Come again.—Ed.

To obtain Madame Fara's little book, "How," free, you may fill out the coupon and send in; or you may write by letter or post-card requesting it. Adddress as below:

VIRGINIA. DEAR SISTERS:
Third time is out, they say. This is the third time I've rapped. I do believe I hear someone coming. Yes,

it is surely Mrs. Wilkinson. Good morning, dear. I will sit by Nelle Fischer if she doesn't mind. Isn't it a blessed privilege to air our views through this blessed corner?
Criss, I certainly enjoyed your letter. Come again. Thanks, Jude, for the compliment to Bachelor Bill. It may have taken some of the conceit out of him but nearly all of us are conceited one way or another. I'll bet you are getting curious as to my looks so I'll enlighten you. Five feet, four, blue-grey eyes, medium complexion, brown hair, and age—between sixteen and twenty-two. Am another one cut out for an old maid, but I should worry.

I am sending a little poem which I think is very pretty.

Rocky Branch, Greencastle, Verbena and Silver Dale.
With best wishes to one and all,
A COMFORT Friend,
SADIE E. W. P.

will sit by Nelle Fischer if she doesa't mind. Isn't it a blessed privilege to air our views through this blessed corner?

Mith bed year and the privilege to air our views through the privilege and the privilege and the privilege and the privilege curious as to my looks so my looks looks and my looks so m

wasn't Sweet Sixteen just a wee bit catty? Dear child, there are worse fates than to be an old maid though perhaps I didn't think so when I was sixteen.

Mrs. Wilkinson, dear. I know you'll never print this letter and I shan't blame you one bit. On the contrary, I haven't the least doubt but that I shall feel relieved if you don't for though I've written for publication half my life I never see anything of mine in print without an awful "seneaky" feeling, just as I felt in a horrible dream the other night. I dreamed that I went to church and on arriving there found I was clothed only in my "nightle."

With love to everybody, I will sign myself,

CONTRARY MARY.

CULTIVATE WINSOMENESS

So often I have seen possibilities in some woman, some young girl, that needed only a hint to bring out all the best qualities in her.

THE VALUE OF PERSONALITY

I have been astounded at the difference in out-look, in opportunity, that the absence of per-sonality makes in the lives of those who, lack-ing this one necessary attribute, really lack every-thing. I have made an exhaustive study of this subject—in railway carriages, on board ship, in the dining-rooms of the great hotels, not only in England and on the Continent, but right here in our own America. I know that there are hundreds of women who need certain private in-

formation to change from wall flowers and fail-ures to popularity and success.

OVERCOME YOUR IMPERFECTIONS

If you are shy and bashful I can show you

If you are shy and bashful I can show you how to overcome these failings.

If you are aggressive and brusque I can show you how to tone down so that you will attract where heretofore you have repelled. If you are vain, or boisterous, or one of those who, without earning it, demand that you be the center of attention, I can give you a friendly, helping hand, so that you will be sought after rather than

A BOOK into a little book called "How" that I want you to read. The Gentlewoman Institute will send it to you entirely free, postpaid, in a plain wrapper, just for the asking. My advice to you is to send "How." I know that you want to possess happiness and contentment and gain all those good things of life which come to you as the result of having a winning personality. "How" will show you the way.

Juliette Fara

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SECRET OF WOMAN'S SUCCESS



How You Can Have a Winning Personality IF YOU WISH

To many imagine that charm is a rare gift accorded by the fairies at birth. If the gay sprites have put their mark of favor upon you, you are singularly fortunate, but if they passed you by you are just plain unlucky, and there is nothing you can do about it. This is wrong, so wrong. The secret of charm, of a winning personality, of a presence which draws others to you as the magnet draws the needle, can be gained by any woman who truly wishes it.'

WHY I KNOW

I make this statement confidently, for I know whereof I speak. During my years, both here in America and abroad, I had boundless oppor-tunity to study intimately women in all walks of life, women of high and low degree, the grande life, women of high and low degree, the grande dame, wrapped in priceless furs, motoring in the Bois du Boulogne, and the chic little milliper from the specialty shop on the Rue de la Paix. So many wonderful things have come out of France that it is scarcely surprising that her women have the ability to enwrap life and those about them with a rose-colored glow which is one of the many secrets of the French woman's irresisting attraction. irresistible attraction.

THE MAGIC WAND

If you had the ability to remake yourself, if If you had the ability to remake yourself, if you could wave a wand and be just what you have always dreamed, would you do it? I am sure you would. Now, I have this wand, this magic stick which has so often transformed the ugliest duckling into a beautiful swan. I may be the Fairy Godmother to your dearest dreams. Possibly it is some trifling habit that stands in the way of your having a truly winning personality. If you only put the proper rules into you should improve amazingly

You no longer need to envy other women. You nave it in your power to obtain admiration, to command attention, to become winsome—to succeed in your aims.

HOW TO HOLD THE INTEREST

THE FRENCH WOMAN'S

ALLURE

I WANT SO MUCH TO HELP

After coming back from abroad I decided that, hinf to bring out all the best qualities in her. Dozens of times I have felt like going up to some woman and saying: "I know a secret which will completely change your whole life! Will you let me tell it to you?" But I couldn't very well so accost a stranger, could I?

But, oh! I do so want to share my knowledge with the hosts of eager-eyed girls and women in this America that I love. I want to let you profit by my experience. I know it will benefit you and make you happier and more alive, as well as markedly successful. beyond everything else, I wanted to see the American girl wear a world-wide crown as "The Girl with Super-Charm." So I collected all the data. methods and experiences I had obtained data. in France to put at your disposal. I wan every American woman and American girl share with me the secrets of fascination.



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VIRGINIA PEARSON.

YOU CAN BE ATTRACTIVE

This ability is native born with most french girls and is another of their secrets of attraction. What they have done and do is possible for you, also. It does not require any great skill or expense. It takes only two things—the desire to accomplish plus understanding. The desire to accomplish must come from you. The understanding I can give you, if you will let me.

HOW TO WIN

You should adopt some of these secrets of the French women. They are easily acquired. Remember, I refer to winsome ways which the most modest and respectable person may use. And I am sure this includes you, dear reader. It is not necessary to be a great beauty or to ossess a brilliant mind or to wear stunning

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Comfort Sisters' Corner

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would stop to eat? Not Mrs. Wilkinson, I'll bet.
Neither would I.
What is your favorite hymn? I have so many I
can't tell which one in particular but one is "Nearer
My God to Thee."
Now for a joke. Here's a good one. Can you beat it?
Torm.—"They say them German guns carry twenty
miles."
Terry.—"That's nothin', our big 'una simply ask,
"Wot address?"

Hop Sair.

Bon Soir,

Sunshine.—"Goodnatured" may be the word to use in describing "Tish" but I'd say that "strong-minded was better. Martha is a dear and a most lovable character. We always need something to laugh about so why wouldn't it be a good idea for all the sisters, or those humorously inclined, to send in a funny joke—the joke that makes you laugh every time you think of it. Want to?—Ed.

BATTLEFIELD, MO.

DEAR MES. WILKINSON:

Since I was knee high to a grasshopper I have read good old Comfort, from cover to cover and then I read the covers. After that I read most of it over again. Nothing escapes me that is printed in Comfort. Last week my oldest son came from the mail box and said, "Mamma, be sure to renew for Comfort, our time's out. Let's not miss any." The whole family told me the same thing so I am sending the renewal price under separate cover and am making my first attempt to enter the enchanted circle called Comfort's Sisters' Corner. If this passes censor I would be pleased to see it printed—for—

apt to enter the enchanted circle called COMPORT's Corner. If this passes censor I would be do to see it printed—for—
You say my time for Comport's cut, And oh, my lawsy daisy! It will not do to have it stop, The family would go craxy. For Cubby Bear suits little Jee, The poetry for Fannie, Uncie Charlie, Lewis loves, The voterinary, Danny. Edward hunts up Traps and Thrilis—And Papa reads the stories; Then Mamma gets the paper down And in the letters glories. Then Talks with Girls and Beauty Hints At once catch Ersha's eye, Manners and Looks and Farmers' page Lester and Orville spy.
Auto Hints and Engine Helps
Is what the men desire:
Is there a recipe for pie to cat?
We now hear Ruth inquire.
Poultry Farming we all like
And think the pictures dandy,
While all the book, from front to back,
I've read the paper ever since
I was a little girlie.
And now my children watch for it,
And read it late and early.
Please count my sub in on a chair
For someone who'd enjoy it.
I cannot think of any place
I could as well employ it.
Would like to see this rhyme in print,
It is the first I've written.
The letters all are each so fine,
I doubt if this is "fitten."
But when you wrote, "Your paper's cut,"
Oh my, lawsy daisy!
Every person on the place
Came bout nigh rounin' cray.
And so I'm sending in the price
Of another year's subscription,
I think this news will strengthen them
Without an M. D.'s prescription.
—A. M. G.

WISCORSIN.

JASPER, ALA.

DEAR MES. WILKINSON AND COMFORT SISTERS:

I have read COMFORT only one year but have learned to like the Sisters' Corner very much.

I am five feet, six inches tall and have dark hair, brown eyes and a fair complexion. Am 26 years old and weigh 120 pounds.

My husband is a carpenter and we have only land enough for a garden and sweet potato patch. We keep fifty chickens.



CHESTER AND LESTER ELLIS.

CHESTER AND LESTER, ELLIS,

I am the mother of five children. Lish, aged seven,
is in the Deaf and Dumb School at Tailadega, Als.
Ruth is rive. Marlin died when he was one year old.
Chester and Lester are the twins and I am sending
their photograph which I would like to see in COMFORT. They are nineteen months old, though only one
year old when this photograph was taken.
Withs best wishes to all COMFORT readers,
MRS. LETTIE ELLIS.
BUTLER. PA.

BUTLER, PA.

DEAR MRS. WILKINSON:
I am a constant reader of Comport and enjoy it
very much, and like other readers I would like to ask (CONTINUED ON PAGE 40.)

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Poultry Farming for Women

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slightest indication of looseness of the bowels, remove the drinking water and replace with cold tea or rice water. It is a good precaution to feed boiled rice two or three times a week whilst the chicks are little, and if they develop any serious trouble, keep them under cover; or if with a hen, keep the hen shut in a brooder coop, for then she is much more likely to brood than if allowed to run sloue.

Leg weakness rarely if ever develops if the chickens are properly fed. Green food and animal food must form part of their rations. There is a meat meal on the market which is very good if you can buy in small quantities, but it is not safe to buy a large bag which can't be used up in two or three weeks, so it is usual for the ordinary farm to depend on curd cheese and an occasional hard-boiled egg, chopped up the without removing the shell. And as for green stuff, I don't think there is anything so good as young clover and the sprouts of young onions, of course chopped fine enough to be acceptable to little chicks. If you are where you can get beef's liver, it is the best of all animal food when about half boiled and chopped and fed in small quantities. If your birds have had any kind of animal feed from the start, it is quite safe; but if you suddenly commence feeding it after four or five weeks, you must go very carefully for some time, until they become accustomed to it. A rusty nail or two, or a few drops of tincture of iron in the drinking water is a good tonic, and it is advisable to use it if chickens commence to look pale around the bill, or droopy in any way.

Correspondence

Subscribers are entitled to advice of our Poultry Editor, free, through the columns of this department. Address Poultry Editor, CONFORT, Augusta, Maine. BE SURE to give your full name and address, otherwise your letter will receive me attention.

Feather, GONFORT, Augusta. Maine. BE SURE to give your full name and address, etherwise your letter will results are attention.

M. D.—Stronger chickens and better results are generally obtained by using two-year-old hens in the breeding pens. The best way to work up a flock of good layers is to select the earliest and heaviest layers from year-old stock, and allow them free range with good grain and vegetable food, but no extra stimulating rations, to force production of eggs during the second winter. In this way your two-year-old hens will be full of strength and vigor in the spring, when you want their eggs for hatching. But I don't think the trouble which you have been having during the last four years has been caused entirely by using pullets which have been forced for eggs during the winter as breeders. From your description of the spots on the livers of the chicks which you examined after death, I am inclined to think that you have got some hens in your facek which are slightly infected by the microbes which cause the disease of the liver which most frequently attacks turkeys and is commonly known as blackhead. Until the last few years it was generally supposed that the disease was confined entirely to turkeys, but now we know that all fowls are subject to attack, though they rarely show any outward aymptoms, and the disease never gains very much headway with them, though the germs are spread broadcast through the agency of their droppings, and when picked up by young chickens or turkeys, enter the digestive organs with their food or drink, and an initiamed condition of the intestines causes rapid death among the young stock. The condition of the liver, when numerous centers of the disease appear, and show yellowish spots, which, when cut across, will be found to be irregularly-gloular in shape. It is not positively known whether the germs of this disease are present in the eggs laid by the affected hens or turkeys, but there is no doubt that they are present on the shell, which collects the germs from t

they are hatched is supposed to act as a preventive.

C. C.—The birds have occidiosi, a disease produced by a very small form of animal life called coccidio, which are very widely distributed in nature, but with poultry the disease is nearly always the result of direct contagion. It may attack the diseastive or the air tubes. In your flock the air tubes are evidently the seat of the disease, to judge from the condition you found in the windpipe. The best treatment is to put three grains of copperas, or 15 grains of catechu in every four quarts of drinking water. They should also have two doses, twenty-four hours apart, of castor oil. Give two doses, twenty-four hours apart, of castor oil. Give two tablespoonfuls of oil, mixed with six drops of oil of turpentine, as the coccidia may be present on eggs laid by infected fowls. It is well to be very careful at this season of the year about eggs for hatching. This form of contagion is very difficult to eradicate, so use very strong disinfectants on all the faxtures, drinking and other dishes, and remove and burn all scratching material. Burn the carcasses of all birds that die, or that you think it best to kill.

D. H. W.—You haven't given me sufficient informa-

D. H. W.—You haven't given me sufficient informa-tion about the birds and their condition to form the slightest idea of what the trouble may be. If you will send me a fuller description, I shall be very glad to help you.

C. J.—This is a case of canker—a mildly contagious disease. Mix equal parts of pulverised camphor, boric acid, and subnitrate of bismuth. Blow into the bird's threat and nostrils with a straw or glass tube, using about one third of a teaspoonful each time.

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D. L. W.—The turkeys have what is commonly called blackhead, a disease of the liver which has gained its common name from the fact that the turkey's head sometimes turns black, or rather dark purple. The disease once having a firm hold on birds, doctoring is of little use. The only really practical way to fight the disease is along the lines of prevention. Please read answer to M. D. in this issue. It will give you some ideas about how to safeguard your young birds during the coming season.

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A. B. C.—I think the young birds must have been overcrowded, or the chicken house is damp and poorly ventilated. If the birds are crowded close together on the roost at night, they get overheated; especially in the fall, and chilled when they get off the roost in the morning. If you have glass windows in the house, take them out, and cover the openings with canvas, so that there is plenty of fresh air in the house. Drafts, damp and dirt, are chickens' worst enemies. As the symptoms you describe all belong to cold, and bowel trouble resulting from colds, birds which show no signs of illness would be all right for the table.

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L. E. S.—Your late summer and fall chickens suffered from gapes, a disease which is caused by a small parasite worm which enters the bird's windpipe. It originates on the ground on which poultry has run for some time. Young chickens get infected by picking up and eating small earthworms which act as hosts to the parasites. Your spring chickens possibly escaped the trouble because they were kept more closely confined; besides which, in the early spring the weather is not warm and damp enough to encourage the development of the gapeworm. To safeguard this year's chicks please put your brood coops or brooders on fresh ground where poultry has not been in the habit of congregating, or, if that is not convenient, cover the old ground with fresh lime, and after twelve hours or so, have it plowed under, and sow to oats, rye or grass.

Stop the use of any germ killer by the first of February. Bead answer to M. D. in this issue. It will

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J. T.—The chickens must have got some poisonous material. Have you been using fertilizers or frest lime on farm land, or is there any atagnant water about the place? Not knowing the exact cause of any of the surrounding conditions, I can only suggest that you give each bird a dose of castor oil as soon as you see any signs of sickness—about two tablespoonful for each bird.

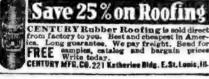
for each bird.

H. A. M.—This is a case of vent gleet. The disease generally originates through an egg being broken in the egg bag, which causes inflammation, septic poisoning and finally develops vent gleet. From the hen the male bird becomes infected and spreads the disease through the flock. If you wish to doctor them, proceed in the following manner: Hold the bird's vent in hot water to which has been added some strong antiseptic. After a fifteen or twenty minutes, wipe with a clean, soft rag and rub the vent all round with unguentine or mer cury ointment. Be very careful to wash your hand in disinfectant after handling the birds, and burn all the rags used in drying.



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Comfort Sisters' Corner

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a question of some of the COMFORT sisters and will return favor in any way I can. I paint a little with oil paints and would like to know how to burn the china painted to keep paint from washing off. Can any of the readers tell me how. I would be very thankful for the information.

With beat regards to all, MES W. C. G.

With beat regards to all,

Mrs. W. C. G.—Mindful of a resolution made some years ago, to do one good deed each day, I wended my way to the Public Library where I procured several books on china painting and spent part of an afternoon in an effort to learn something that would help you. I learned more than I ever knew about the subject before but space is too limited to take it up fully but it would seem that complete instructions would come with the kiln for, of course, you know that the colors are burned in. My hopes of a career as an artist were dashed to the ground years ago when a little girl, my youngest pupil, said, "Oh, io-0-ok at the lo-o-ve-ly dandelions teacher made." The "lovely dandelions" in question being so natural (as I thought) looking chrysanthemums I had painted on her Thanksgiving booklet. Wasn't that enough to discourage anyone? I shall be glad to help in buying kiln or instruction books if you wish me to.—Ed.

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Struthers, 320 Bridge St., Ohis.

Dear Mes. Wilkinson and Comfort Sisters:

Have you room in your corner for a little "soldier" girl? I returned from France last fall where for eighteen months I drove a Red Cross ambulance.

It surely is great to be back in the land of Old Glory after having spent so many months at the battle front. I enlisted in the Motor Corps at Pittsburg over two years ago and spent four months in training school and then I came home one morning early to bid my dear mother and father good by—I had been ordered to France.

I won't go into detail about my voyage over, although I was very sick. I spent a few days in Paris before leaving for the front. I took an active part in several small battles. After the men had "gone over" the top" we drove up in the ambulances and picked up the wounded men and drove to the nearest field hospital. At times I have gone for three days and nights without closing my eyes. At night we were never allowed a light on our car. The reason for this was so an enemy alreptane could not see us and send a shell down on us. At times when I was driving over the

battlefield, shells have burst not two feet from my car and three times I had shells go through my car, but, thank God, I came home without a scratch.

And what wonderful work the Salvation Army lassles did for us. The K. of C. and Red Cross were very good to us also. If the people at home could have been "over there" as we were and seen what brave people they would roll in by the fanaful and there would be no need of a "drive" for funds.

My dear sisters, I shall never forget the brave boys I have seen die. Many times I have closed their eyes and have written down their last words to send to loved ones back home. If you could have seen the German soldiers and have known what beasts they were you would say the war should never have ended until every German had been killed. My brother was killed in France and I am well and home now but if I thought I could avenge my brother's death by going back tomorrow I would go willingly.

Maid Mariorie.—You are a brave girl and we

Maid Marjorie.—You are a brave girl and we are glad to have you with us. Come again. There must be many more "soldier girls" among Compour's subscribers and letters from them would be gladly received.—Ed.

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Hoping to hear from someone, I am, sincerely, MES. J. A. SHAW.

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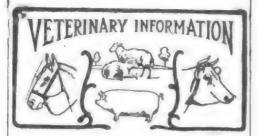
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T is highly important that any drug used for farm animals shall be pure and of known efficiency. Often drugs not sold by experts or reputable druggists are adulterated. Such may fail to do what is expected of them and it also is possible that some of them may prove poisonous.

Some of the turpentine now on the market is adulterated with pine oil or wood naphtha. It is known as "turpentine substitute" and is intended for use in paint. But turpentine of that "fake" sort may be sold if one buys his supplies at a paint store, or from a painter, or elsewhere than at a drug store. That often has occurred and the adulterated drug has killed horses. It causes severe pain, scouring, cramps and finally death. Only the purest or rectified turpentine should be given internally to a horse for worms or to a cow or sheep for bloat, or to swine to rid them of intestinal parasites.

Turpentine often is given in raw linseed oil; but that oil is very expensive now and so one may be sold cheap, adulterated oil instead of the pure article. Boiled linseed oil is poisonous. It has killed many a horse. Buy raw linseed oil at the drug store and have the druggist guarantee that it is the pure article, telling him that it is the given internally. If pure raw linseed oil cannot be bought at a fair price, then give the dose of turpentine in new milk. Medicinal mineral oil may be used instead of raw linseed oil, as a physic, and gives very good results. There is no danger in using it and it therefore is to be preferred to linseed oil about which there is any doubt.

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Insect powders often fail to destroy lice, fleas or ticks on animals. They are much used during winter when a fluid cannot well be employed. The reason that they prove ineffective is that they are adulterated. Mountaineers in some parts of the country collect and dry ox-eye daisy flowers and trade them to the local merchant for groceries and other supplies. These flowers are ground and mixed with pyrethrum, Persian and Dalmatian insect powders to make them cheaper. They also dilute the poisonous properties of the powder. Microscopic examination readily detects the added allen flower fruits. Add powdered tobacco, or sabadilla, freely to the ordinary insect powder use. Also add flowers of sulphur.

ABNORMAL MILE.—What ails my cows? One is nine years old and the other is five and both are in fine condition, showing no sign of any disease. When first milked it looks all right. After a thick, heavy cream rises it is dark and watery looking and has a slightly sait taste, not fit to use after a few hours, turns a pinkish color and never clabbers as it should. The udder and teats are in good condition. Mas. O. D. P. A.—Bacteria in the milk utensils or wash water commonly cause sech conditions in milk and cream. Set a sample of milk from each quarter in a separate vessel to see if all of the milk is similarly affected. It is barely possible that milk from one or two diseased teats may be causing the trouble. It is much more likely that bacteria are to blame. Perfectly cleanse, scald and sun dry the milk utensils and set the milk in a new, clean, well ventilated place. Use only bolled water for cleansing purposes. Also sterilize the churn.

CHRONIC COLLAR SORES.—My mare has sore shoul-

the churn.

CHEONIC COLLAR SORES.—My mare has sore shoulders. I stopped working her for months. As soon as I work her again they become sore.

A.—The only effectual treatment in such cases is to have the old sores cut out by a trained veterinarian and then wet the wounds two or three times a day with "white lotion" composed of one ounce of sugar of lead and six drams of sulphate of zinc in a pint of sort, cold water. Label the bottle "poison" and shake it well before use.

BLOON IN MULE.—Please tell we what alls we were

shake it well before use.

BLOOD IN MILK.—Please tell me what alls my cow. Her appetite is fine and she appears to be in the best of health, but when I milk her she gives bloody milk from the hind teats. Sometimes there will be one or two milkings without any sign of blood in it, and then the next time I milk it will be back agains It is when I finish milking that it shows. Miss. J. R.

A.—It is probable that growths in the teats bleed from irritation at milking time and if so an operation for their removal might succeed. If the growths are high up in the teat, however, it often is best to let a calf suck or to dry off the milk flow in the affected quarters. When growths are not present, treat by bathing the quarters twice daily with cold water and vinegar and giving the cow a teaspoonful of dried sulphate of iron and three of salt in her feed once daily, provided she is not in calf.

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provided she is not in calf.

AILING Cow.—I have a cow five years old, that at times seems stiff all over. She has the hollow born at times. I would like to know what to do for her.

A.—There is no such disease as "hollow horn." In malignant catarrh, however, pus may get into the hollow cores of the horns as they connect with the noscow has toberculosis, which is contagious and incurate the cow has toberculosis, which is contagious and incurate contaging the steet with tuberculin. Any trained veterinarian can apply the steet. The milk of a tuberculous cow is dangerous to man and animals.

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STRINGHALT.—I have a two-year old colt that became stringhalted when one year old. Is there a cure for it?

A.—The operation of peroneal tenotomy often succeeds in such cames, but it can only be performed by a trained veterinarian. The good effects of the operation do not always become manifest at once; but should occur inside of two or three months. Consult your local graduate veterinarian about the matter.

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Sick Hoos.—I have a fat hog that has large sores and scabs all over it. My hogs are dying. I lost a fine sow the other day. She had five pigs four weeks old. She was well at night, ate her food, and was dead the next morning. I also lost a nice shoat, and a young sow with several pigs. Every case worked differently.

W. I. D.

A.—Dip the hog in a solution of coal tar dip made according to directions given by the manufacturer and add enough crude oil to coat the surface at time of use. Repeat in ten days if thought necessary. Such sores usually come from wet and filth in pens, beds or yards. Clean up, disinfect and whitewash the houses and pens. Your troubles will be likely to lessen if you provide sanitary quarters for the hogs; but a qualified veterinarian should be employed at once to determine if a contagious disease is present, and if that proves to be so he can vaccinate the remaining hogs.

Lame Cow.—I have a cow nearly six years old that

proves to be so he can vaccinate the remaining hogs.

LAME COW.—I have a cow nearly six years old that has very sore feet in the split part of the hoof, swelling some above the hoof. I feed form and clover hay. She gives three gallons of milk a day. Is it fit to use?

A.—Place the cow in a roomy, clean box-stall and bed with shavings or sawdust. Keep her in until she is well. The milk may be used. Perfectly cleanse the affected feet, removing lodged corn-stalks or other foreign objects and cutting away all rotten, loose or under-run horn of hoofs. Then immerse for five minutes in hot water containing two ounces of sulphate of copper (bluestone) to the pint. Afterward saturate

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Firs.—My pet dog, a poodle, has spells when he trembles and trembles as though he had chills. He falls over and can't get on his feet. He has been this way for three years. I keep him most all the time in the house. What can I do for him?

A.—Let the dog run out daily and give it only one small feed each evening. Do not feed potatoes or sweets. Treat it for worms with medicine which you can buy at the drug store ready for use. Repeat the treatment in two weeks.

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THEIFTLESS COLT.—I have a four-year old coit that was in fine condition until the middle of last March, when all at once he quit eating corn, losing flesh and cating just enough to keep him slive. I have tried all the remedies of which I know, but none have helped him.

A.—Without an examination we cannot tell what is wrong, but it is quite likely that blood worms are a causing the weakness and emaciation. If so, you will find that there is a fur of dandruff substance around the anus. Feed crushed oats, wheat bran and oilmeal, along with best of hay, and roots or a little sliage.

Milk is good for a colt in that condition and it should be well sweetned with blackstrap molasses: indeed, molasses should be freely fed. Have the teeth attended to by a veterinarian as milk tooth crowns or shells may have to be removed. Give half an omnee of Bowler's solution of arsenic night and morning, after giving less doses daily for a week. Stop this medicine gradually when no longer needed.

DEATH OF CALE.—Will you tell me what was the

DEATH OF CALF.—Will you tell me what was the matter with my calf? It was healthy until it was three months old, when it began to pant and was sick about eight days. I gave the calf epeom saits. What should I have done?

A.—The calf no doubt suffered from indigestion and may have had fits; but it is as likely that the done of epoom saits went the wrong way into the lungs and caused death. Castor oil in milk would have been better treatment for indigestion and great care has to be taken not to cause suffocation.

LUMPS ON BODY.—I have a horse that has small lumps all over his back. They don't seem sore or itch. I would like to know the cause and a remedy.

C. F.

A.—Sudden change of feed or a mild attack of indigestion often cause surfeit, also called nettlerash or urticaria and similar to hives in a child. It is not dangerous and soon passes off. Bathe affected parts twice daily with soft water containing an ounce of granular hyposulphite of sods to the quart and mix a tablespoonful of the same form of sods in the feed once daily. Always make all changes of feed gradually.

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(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 40.) MICHIGAN.

Dear Mrs. Wilkinson and Sisters:

I have read the letter from June Rose and she is having the same experience I had with my little girl. I will whisper it—I thought she was a dumhcad and was ashamed to send her to school, for I couldn't teach her anything. One day I got up courage to visit the school and I was thunderstruck. That girl of mine was reading! I asked Miss B. how she did it and she said they learned by playing and they don't know they are studying. She drew a ladder on the board and put letters and words on each round of the ladder then they tried to see who could climb to the top of the ladder, by pronouncing each letter or word. If they could get to the top she pinned a flower or ribbon on their dresses or waists to show that they had their lesson perfectly. Many little games are played with their lessons and it is surprising how fast they learn and how anxious they are for each lesson.

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t of all am five feet, six inches tall and weigh 138 pounds.



VICTOR FLOYD GROSS.

Have blue eyes and brown hair and am twenty years of age. I am married to one of the best of men.
I am sending my baby's picture which was taken when he was five months old. His name is Victor

Flord Gross. If I am admitted this time I will come again. Mrs. Edgar H. Gross. Best Ways of Doing Things Around The Home

Remove peach stains with spirits of camphor. Grind tea leaves and you make your tea last longer. Dampen grease stains with kerosene and wash as

The syrup of sweet pickles may be used in place of cider in making mince ples.

Sprinkle starched clothes with soapy water and they will iron with a gloss.—ELSIE, LA.

When washing clothes put a teaspoonful of turpentine boiler and the clothes will be much whiter.

Keep your stockings from getting runs by putting a row of machine stitches around each stocking, near the

It takes more sugar to sweeten fruit if added before or during the time the fruit is cooking. Cook first, then sweeten.

Before baking potatoes let them stand in hot water for fifteen minutes and they will bake in much less than the ordinary time.

When a loaf of bread becomes hard, wet it all over with cold water or milk and wrap it in a damp towel and place it in a hot oven for fifteen minutes.

Sprinkle a handful of finely crushed bread-crumba over the top of berry ples before putting the crust on and the juice will not run out.—Mrs. D. M., New Hampshire.

Sprinkle sugar under the fruit instead of on top when making fruit pies. By doing this the juice boils up through the fruit and not out of the crust as it is apt to do when sprinkled on top of fruit.

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Straw matting makes a good dining table pad. Lay two strips across the table, letting the selvages come together in the center. Cut to fit table and bind with strip of cloth.—Mas. L. V. F., Greenfield, III.

TO REMOVE LETTERS FROM FLOUR SACKS.—(Requested). Soak in lukewarm water. Spread out on washboard and soap well and sprinkle with salt, then roll up and let remain ten or fifteen minutes. The letters should wash out then.—Mas. A. H., Ashwood, Texas.

Remedies

BED WETTING.—Make a tea by steeping half a package of water plantain, dried and crushed, in a pint of water for half an hour. Sweeten to taste. Give child half a teacupful twice a day.

Headache.—Take a piece of brown paper about as wide as one's hand and long enough to go around the head and saturate it with vinegar and tie around the head.—Miss Sadie Printz, Luray, Va.

COLD.— Take one half pint each vinegar and water and into it put one teaspoon of butter, a pinch of salt, sugar to sweeten and put on stove and let it get as hot as can be taken. Drink before retiring.

HAIR TONIC.—Mix powdered quinine one quarter part to three quarters part petroleum jelly and massage the scalp with this two or three times weekly. Get as little as possible on the hair and wear a cap to bed to avoid solling the pillow.—Shampoo the hair every two weeks.—Salcy Oklahoman.

CONSTIPATION.—The first thing on arising in the morning drink one pint, or two pints if need be, of tepid water, the same temperature as the body or perhaps a little warmer. After drinking, if your stomach feels disagreeable, just pat it briskly first on one side then on the other and in a moment it will pass out

of the stomach and flush the bowels and kidneys and construction vanishes. Do not cut anything before drinking the water.—VIOLA GARDNER, Salem, Ore. Requests

How to pickle pig's feet.

I would like to get the book Lady Isabel's Daughter.
Please write first.—Miss Sadie Peintz, Luray, Va. I would like to get a June, 1917, number of Com-DET.—MRS. M. J. FLEMING, Buchanan, Box 12, N. Y. Will some sister send me the August number of Good tories.—Miss Edith Draring, Velpen, R. R. 2, Ind.

Will some reader of COMFORT send me the book or last two chapters of Russel Anthom's Double.—Mrs. Jork V. Carpenter, Meridian, R. R. 3, Idaho.
Would like to have someone send me the January and February, 1917, numbers of Comfort. Also the December, 1918, number of The Illustrated Companion.—Mary Floyd, Keavey, Ky.
Will someone who has The Illustrated Companion

Will someone who has The Illustrated Companion for July, 1919, kindly loan it to me. Will pay postage and return favor. Please write first.—Mrs. Robert Liddle, Du Bols, R. R. 2, Pa.

Will some of the Comfort sisters send me the January, February and March numbers of the People's Home Journal for 1919. Will send books or papers in return.—Miss Jessie Blackinan.

return.—Miss JESSIE BLACKINAN.

Will someone please send me the June number of
the Illustrated Companion for 1919 and the March and
June numbers of the Household for 1919. Will return
Postage.—Mas. G. B. GEESHAM, Bucklin, Kansas.

Will some kind sister send me the July, 1918, issues
of the Ladies' Home Journal and Woman's Home Companion. Will return favor in any way 1 can.—Miss.
EMSSIE FILP, Wainut Cove, R. B. 4, Box 6, N. C.

Virgie Wright, Mardela Springs, Maryland, would like poem beginning:

We were hunting for wintergreen berries, 'Twas one May day long gone by.'

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Mrs. A. Singer, Park, Wis., would like information concerning the whereabouts of Charlie and John Singer, ages about 57 and 59 years.

Will some soldier who served in Co. C. 16th Inf., A. E. F., please write to Fred Johnson, Willa, N. Dak. Mr. Johnson is trying to get some trace of his brother who has been missing since July 18, 1918.

Clarence Gillam, Jean, Texas, would like to know the whereabouts of his mother, and stepfather, Will Stapleton.

F. A. Haven, Brooklyn, Ky., will be glad to receive any information of her brother, Oscar L. Flener, age 39, last heard from in Erie, Pa.

Mrs. Mary A. Smith, Thompsonville, Conn., R. R. Box 51, is very anxious to learn some news of her son, William M. Smith, who left home and went to Minnesota seven years ago to work on the wires as lineman. Last heard from over four years ago when working in the Stock Yards. Any information about her son, whether he is dead or alive, will be gratefully received by Mrs. Smith.

Mrs. Beatrice Shandy, Bundy, Mont., would like information of her brother, Sergeant Earl Christensen, dark red hair, hazel eyes, 5 feet 10 in. Was in a Casual Detachment, Aero Field, No. 2, Barrack 15, when last heard from.

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Canadian subscribers please read:—Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Henry Derendorf or Joseph Derendorf, of German nationality, please communicate with their brother, William Derendorf, Box 183, Virden, Ill.

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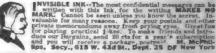
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A. H. B., Missouri.—Unders the laws of your state, we are of the opinion that upon the death of a married man, leaving no will, and leaving a surviving widow and children, his widow would receive dower of a one-third interest for life in his real estate; we think he could leave his whole estate to his widow by will if he desires to do so.

Miss F. T., Missouri.—We are of the opinion that the laws of Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Connecticut, illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Missouri, Nevada, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Washington and Wyoming prohibit marriages between first cousins.

E. B., Colorado.—Under the laws of your state, we are of the opinion that the estate of an intestate descends to the surviving wife or husband, where no children or descendants of children are left by such intestate. An intestate is a person who dies without leaving a will.

Mas. L. R., New Jersey.—Under the laws of your state, we do not think your husband can compel your

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Mas. L. R., New Jersey.—Under the laws of your state, we do not think your husband can compel you to support him if he is able to support himself. If you never had any child born alive to the marrriage, we think you can bar your husband from any interest in your estate by will. The laws of your state have been somewhat unsettled of late years as to the wife's right to bar her husband from curtesy in her real estate by will; in order to establish a husband's right to curtesy in his wife's real estate it is necessary that a child must be born alive to the marriage. This right is established to the husband even though such child predeceases the husband. The husband's right of curtesy was abolished by the laws of New Jersey a few years ago but there has been some question as to the validity of the law.

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Mrs. S., Missouri.—We can form no opinion as to your sons' rights under your deceased husband's will without an examination of the will and a complete knowledge of the facts in connection with the administration of the estate.

Mrs. F. I. H., Nebrasks.—Under the laws of your state we are of the opinion that children may be disinherited by will provided the testator possesses testamentary capacity, and provided no undue influence is exercised upon him, and provided the will is legally drawn and executed and expresses the testator's true intent. If the testator was under undue influence at the time he made the will you mention and if such influence caused him to favor one of his children more than the others, we think the probate of the will should be contested or an action brought to have same set aside, unless there are circumstances, in connection with the matter, not mentioned in your communication to us.

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Mrs. E. S., Oklahoma.—Under the laws of your state we are of the opinion that upon the death of a man or woman, leaving no will, and leaving no surviving husband, wife, child or descendant and no father, the whole eastate would go to the mother to the exclusion of brothers and sisters. The decedent's estate would include any vested interest in another estate, even though such other estate was still unsettled at the time of decedent's death.

E. A., Oklahoma.—Under the laws of your state we are of the opinion that if you sell your property and turn the proceeds of sale over to your husband to pay for property standing in his name, such money will become the property of your husband and would not go back to your children upon your death, but would continue the property of your husband, and upon his death would be disposed of according to the terms of his will, or go to his heirs-at-law and next of kin, in case he leaves no will.

Mrs. J. L., Illinois.—Under the laws of your state,

Mss. J. L., Illinois.—Under the laws of your state, we are of the opinion that a stepchild has no rights of inheritance from his or her stepfather's estate unless some provision is made for such child by the will of the stepfather.

of the stepfather.

W. Z. M., Colorado.—Under the laws of your state we are of the opinion that the estate of an intestate descends to the surviving wife or husband where no children or descendants of children are left by such intestate; but in case a child, children or descendants of a child or children are left by such intestate, then one half of the estate goes to the surviving wife or husband and the other half to such child or children, the descendants of any deceased child taking their parent's share.

P. N. Pennsylvania —Under the laws of your children.

P. N., Pennsylvania.—Under the laws of your state, we are of the opinion that your neighbor had a legal right to remove the limbs of his peach tree overhanging your property.

your property.

MES. C. B. V., Virginia.—Under the laws of your state we are of the opinion that upon the death of your husband, leaving no child or descendant, and leaving no wil, you would receive dower of a one-third interest for life in his real estate, the remainder going to his parents, brothers and sisters or their descendants, depending upon who is left; we think it will be necessary for your husband to leave a will in your favor if he desires you to receive the entire property. property.

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Mrs. G. T., Montana.—Under the laws of your state we are of the opinion that it is necessary for the wife to join her husband in signing a deed or mortgage of his real estate in order to bar her right of dower in his real estate.

E. E. J.—We are of the opinion that the remarriage of either the man or woman you mention, during the lifetime of a husband or wife from whom they are not divorced, and in case the prior marriage has not been legally annulled, would be a bigamous and illegal marriage and would subject the man or woman who contracted such illegal marriage to punishment for such act.

Mrs. H. H., Minnesota.—Under the laws of your

MES. H. H., Minnesota.—Under the laws of your state, we are of the opinion that upon the death of your husband, if he left no will, his homestead descended to you for life with remainder over to his children, the issue of any deceased child taking their parent's share.

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Mrs. E. M., Minnesota.—Under the laws of your state we are of the opinion that upon the death of your son-in-law, leaving no will and leaving no child or descendant, his whole estate, subject to the-payment of his debts and the expenses of administration, descended to his widow, and that upon her subsequent death, leaving no will and leaving no child or descendant, her estate would go to her father and mother in equal shares, or, if but one survives, then to such survivor; we think any just claims against your son-in-law's estate would be entitled to a priority to your claim by inheritance from your daughter.

Mrs. L. C., Texas.—Under the laws of your state.

claim by inheritance from your daughter.

MRS. L. C., Texas.—Under the laws of your state, we are of the opinion that all property acquired by the husband and wife during marriage by onerous title is considered the common or community property, and during the marriage may be disposed of by the husband without the consent of the wife, and upon the death of either party, such of the community property as is not disposed of, goes one half to the survivor and the remainder to the child or children of the deceased, unless otherwise disposed of by the will of the deceased. We think the property of an insane person would be subject to the expense of the care and maintenance of such person and would be administered by the person appointed by the proper court for that purpose.



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OLLOWING the fortunes of the Bixby family, whom I met shortly after coming to New York, was like coasting down hill, with an apartment with a liveried footman at the top and the most squalid home in the Bronx at the bottom, and every move made with an optimism that would make a joy ride out of a funeral procession

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He was an inventor, which explains much. Or, rather, leaves nothing to be explained. He was always hopeful today because of the fortune he was to make tomorrow. He was cursed with hope; so was his wife. They had more hope than sense, and this was the reason they were so very happy. Indeed they were so happy they put Pollyanna, Trotty Veck and all the other apostles of joy out of the running.

They had reached the lowest depths of poverty when his father died out in Iowa, and left Mr. Bixby four hundred dollars. The senior Bixby could not have chosen a more fitting time to Go Hence; even Mrs. Bixby admitted it when I went out to congratulate her on receiving the money. "He was deaf and blind and his mind had failed," she said, "and we needed the money so badly I think we would be hyporrites to mourn." Her husband, she said, agreed with her. "He had gone," she said, "up in rhe country where he had learned he could buy a small piece of ground for two hundred dollars, and the family would move on it at once.

I congratulated her, for living in New York is very high, and six mouths to feed had been a hard problem even for two who were cursed with hope. "And just think," I added, "you will have two hundred dollars left for putting up a little home."

She looked embarrassed. Then, laughing, she replied:

"But we haven't the two hundred dollars left. Mr. Bixby bought an automobile with it, and said you were to stay and go riding with us tonight."

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I was stunned. For a moment I imagined I dreamed it. Then, knowing their hopeful dispositions, I realized that I was wide awake, and it was true. I stayed. I had that evening the first joy ride in my career.

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The automobile was a second-hand Ford that had seen hard service and showed it. There were five of us, counting the baby, in the back seat, and two in the front, and I thought when the engine began to work it would shake all the wood-work loose. Every part of the car was trying to shake loose from some other part, and we sounded as we moved like a milk-wagon full of empty cans with firecrackers going off under the horse's feet. We shook, we rattled, we squeaked, we banged; I thought that there was no noise we did not make until Mr. Bixby squeezed the siren. He evidently hurt it, for the blast it let forth sounded like cats at midnight, a bag of banshees and a menagerie at feeding time. After that it became a contest between the box-work and the siren as to which rould make the greater noise, with the siren a few laps ahead.

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He squeezed it every time he saw a cat crossing the road or lying peacefully dozing in a window. He squeezed it half way across every block for the next crossing, and men shrank back in fear at the sound, women turned pale, and nurses grabbed up their charges and fied. A mounted policeman gave chase, and just as he neared us Mr. Bixby saw another cat, and being very humane, squeezed the siren for it to get out of the way and save all of its lives. The policeman's horse heard the siren; they say it is impossible to frighten a New York horse, but this horse reared, plunged, terned, and ran away.

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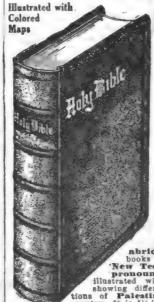
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Mrs. Bixby's face would have been a model for a painter. Such supreme bliss was never before pictured before on a human countenance. "Isn't it grand?" she said loudly above the nesses: "Isn't it grand? We intend to take you often." Mr. Bixby turned in to a curb. "We will all have to get out here," he said, "and you folks can take a street car home. I can't take you home for I haven't learned how to turn around." My last view of the car was as the center of an idolizing group of six. I wondered as I waved good by 'to them from the steps of a street car when and under what circumstances I would see this happy family again.

Three-weeks later she called on me. "We sold the car," she said. "Why, do you know they had the nerve at the garage to say it needed repairing, and we couldn't afford that. A nice car like that. The idea!"

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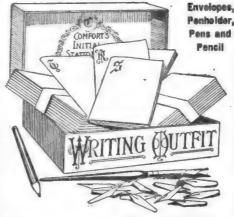
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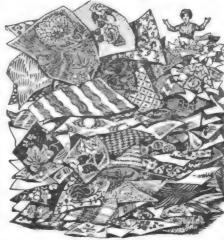
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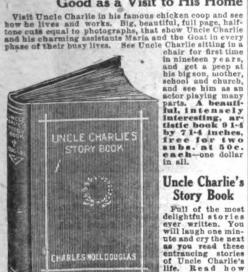
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By Carol C. Orain.

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The Soldiers' Friend Club consists of equivalent to 104 subscriptions for him.

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